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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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1 **[REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN**
2 **ON TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016 ON PAGE 161]**

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5 **[GAVEL.]**

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7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. BUENOS DIAS. I'D
8 LIKE TO CALL THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
9 APRIL 26, 2016 MEETING TO ORDER. AND BEFORE WE BEGIN THIS
10 MORNING, I'D LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE AND
11 RECOGNIZE THAT THIS WEEK IS NATIONAL YOUTHBUILD WEEK. SOME OF
12 YOU MAY KNOW WHO AND WHERE YOUTHBUILD PROGRAMS EXIST, BUT THEY
13 PROVIDE PATHWAYS FOR AT LEAST 2.3 MILLION LOW-INCOME 16-TO-24-
14 YEAR-OLDS IN THE UNITED STATES WHO ARE NOT IN EDUCATION, ARE
15 SEEKING EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, AND MANY ARE
16 CONSIDERED AT-RISK YOUTH. LOCAL YOUTHBUILD GROUPS WILL BE
17 MARCHING UP TO THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION TODAY LATER THIS
18 MORNING, BUT I WANTED TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU ALL,
19 BECAUSE THEY ARE INDEED SOME OF OUR FUTURE LEADERS AND FOLKS
20 THAT HAVE HELPED US IN MANY WAYS IN OUR COMMUNITY. SO I WANTED
21 TO THANK THEM AND CELEBRATE AND COMMEND THEM ON THEIR NATIONAL
22 YOUTHBUILD WEEK. WITH THAT, TODAY'S INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY
23 RABBI RAV AHUD SELA, TEMPLE RAMAT ZION OF NORTHRIDGE, AND THE
24 PLEDGE WILL BE LED TODAY BY DIMITRI DE SILVA OF MILITARY AND
25 VETERANS' AFFAIRS. ALL AUDIENCE AND MEMBERS PLEASE STAND.



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2 **RABBI RAV AHUD SELA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR THE

3 HONOR OF GIVING THIS INVOCATION THIS MORNING. AS THE SON OF AN

4 IMMIGRANT FROM ISRAEL, THE GRANDSON OF AN IMMIGRANT FROM

5 POLAND, AND THE GREAT-GRANDSON OF AN IMMIGRANT FROM RUSSIA,

6 I'M HUMBLLED TO BE SPEAKING IN THIS CHAMBER, SOMETHING I'M SURE

7 THAT MY PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND GREAT-GRANDPARENTS NEVER

8 COULD HAVE IMAGINED FOR ME. BUT IT IS PART OF THE BLESSINGS OF

9 OPPORTUNITY FOUND IN THIS COUNTRY. THIS WEEK, JEWS AROUND THE

10 WORLD CELEBRATE PASSOVER, THE FESTIVAL OF FREEDOM. THE POINT

11 OF THE EXODUS FROM EGYPTIAN SLAVERY WAS NOT JUST FREEDOM FROM

12 OPPRESSION, BUT IT WAS ALSO FREEDOM TO SERVE GOD. NO COUNTRY

13 IN THE WORLD HAS EVER HAD MORE FREEDOM THAN THIS ONE. BUT AS

14 WE CELEBRATE OUR FREEDOM, WE REMEMBER OUR CALLING TO SERVICE.

15 AS WE KNOW, THOSE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE REQUIRE THE MOST

16 ATTENTION. AND AS WE REMEMBER OUR CALLING TO SERVICE, WHETHER

17 WE SERVE AS SERVANTS OF GOD OR SERVANTS OF THE PUBLIC, WE CARE

18 FOR THOSE MOST IN NEED. IN THE WORDS OF THE TORAH, IT IS THE

19 WIDOW, THE ORPHAN AND THE STRANGER. TODAY WE WOULD SAY IT IS

20 THE HOMELESS, THE HUNGRY AND THE SICK. DEAR LORD, WE ASK YOUR

21 BLESSINGS FOR THESE SUPERVISORS, FOR THEIR STAFFS, FOR ALL WHO

22 SERVE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. GIVE THEM STRENGTH AND

23 DILIGENCE TO FAITHFULLY SERVE ALL THE RESIDENTS OF OUR COUNTY.

24 GRANT WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING TO OUR LEADERS AS THEY DISCERN

25 THE POLICIES THAT BEST SERVE THE OVER 8 MILLION PEOPLE IN OUR



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1 COUNTY. OPEN THEIR HEARTS TO THE VARIOUS NEEDS OF ALL WHO COME
2 BEFORE THEM. OPEN THEIR MINDS TO FINDING CREATIVE SOLUTIONS
3 AND FAIR COMPROMISES. AND MAY YOU FULFILL FOR THEM THE WORDS
4 OF SCRIPTURE AS IT SAYS IN PSALM 90: [SPEAKING HEBREW], MAY
5 GOD SHOW COMPASSION ON US AND MAY GOD ESTABLISH THE WORK OF
6 OUR HANDS. AMEN.

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8 **DIMITRI DE SILVA:** GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. PLEASE
9 REMAIN STANDING. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. FACE
10 THE FLAG AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. VETERANS,
11 FEEL FREE TO RENDER A SALUTE. READY, BEGIN. [PLEDGE OF
12 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S BUSINESS.

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16 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND
17 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3,
18 REPORTS. ON ITEM R-1, THE INTERIM CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER
19 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 31, 2016. AND ON
20 ITEM R-2, THE SHERIFF AND INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUEST THAT THIS
21 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 31, 2016. ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC HEARINGS,
22 ITEMS 1 AND 2, THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS.
23 ON PAGE 5, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS
24 3 THROUGH 19, ON ITEM NO. 3, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
25 HER ITEM ON THE COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS BE



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1 REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 4, SUPERVISOR
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS
4 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS
5 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 11, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
6 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13, SUPERVISOR
7 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE, AND A MEMBER
8 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINDER
9 OF THE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
12 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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14 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS
15 20 THROUGH 29, ON ITEMS NO. 20 AND 21, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
16 REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 22, THE
17 DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS REQUESTS THAT THIS
18 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 3, 2016. ON ITEM 23,
19 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
20 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 24, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
21 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR
22 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS TO BE RECORDED AS A NO. THE REMAINDER OF
23 THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

2 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 17, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
5 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
6 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
7 ITEM 30-A, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
8 HELD. ITEM 30-B, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

11 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 30-C, A MEMBER OF THE
14 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 20, NOTICE OF
15 CLOSED SESSION FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 26, 2016, ON ITEM
16 C.S.-4, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
17 ONE WEEK TO MAY 3RD. AND ON ITEM C.S.-6, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY
19 3RD.

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21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AT THIS MOMENT, WE'LL RETURN TO
22 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR A PRESENTATION FOR THE INVOCATION
23 THIS MORNING.

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** IT WAS A REAL PLEASURE TO HAVE TODAY
2 FOR OPENING PRAYER RABBI RAV AHUD SELA, WHO RECEIVED HIS
3 RABBINIC ORDINATION FROM THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN
4 NEW YORK, AND ORIGINALLY FROM CONNECTICUT, HE BECAME AN
5 ADOPTED CALIFORNIAN WHEN HE STUDIED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
6 CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA AND FELL IN LOVE WITH OUR WEATHER,
7 RIGHT? AND HIS WIFE. WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS DEGREE IN
8 BIOCHEMISTRY AND WHERE HE MET HIS WIFE, ALISHA. HE PREVIOUSLY
9 SERVED AS THE ASSISTANT RABBI AT SINAI TEMPLE IN WESTWOOD
10 UNDER RABBI DAVID WOLPE, WHO HAS BEEN HERE BEFORE, AS WELL.
11 HIS VISION FOR THE TEMPLE RAMAT ZION IS A DYNAMIC CENTER OF
12 JEWISH LIFE, A CARING COMMUNITY THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF OUR
13 COMMUNITY, OUR LEADERS AND OUR LARGER COMMUNITY SPIRITUALLY
14 AND PRACTICALLY. HIS RELIGIOUS AND ACADEMIC INTERESTS ARE IN
15 THE CONNECTION BETWEEN JUDAISM AND SOCIAL JUSTICE ALONG WITH A
16 CONNECTION BETWEEN JUDAISM AND THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE
17 WRITINGS OF THE CHASSIDIC MASTERS. WHILE ATTENDING RABBINICAL
18 SCHOOL, HE WAS A WEXNER GRADUATE FELLOW AND RECEIVED A
19 MASTER'S DEGREE IN BIOETHICS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
20 PENNSYLVANIA, WHERE HE OFTEN TEACHES ON THISE SUBJECT. AND
21 THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN, TWINS -- ETAN AND TWINS Yael AND
22 GABI, AGES 9 AND 5. SO THANK YOU, RABBI, FOR COMING DOWN AND
23 LEADING US IN PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, BEFORE WE BEGIN OUR FORMAL
2 PRESENTATIONS, I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MENTION
3 THAT TODAY IS "TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY." AND
4 WE HAVE SEVERAL STAFF FROM THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THEIR FAMILY
5 MEMBERS AND SIBLINGS AND RELATIVES THAT ARE HERE. WE'D LIKE
6 THEM TO STAND UP IF THEY'RE IN THE AUDIENCE TO BE RECOGNIZED.
7 THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE] THESE YOUNGSTERS
8 WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE DAY, AND
9 WE'LL BE HEARING SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY OUR FIRE AND
10 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AS YOU KNOW, THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN
11 ONGOING FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS. AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK
12 SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH, WHO ORIGINALLY PROCLAIMED THIS
13 DAY. SO, LET'S GIVE SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH A ROUND OF
14 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS FROM OUR
15 STAFF I KNOW THAT ARE SPONSORING YOUNG PEOPLE TODAY. SO, THANK
16 YOU ALL. HAVE A GREAT DAY. GOD BLESS YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
17 FOR BEING HERE. WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO TURN TO THE CHAIR'S
18 PRESENTATIONS, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS FOR THE 2016 L.A. COUNTY
19 S.T.A.R.S.! PROGRAM. [APPLAUSE.] SO IN CASE PEOPLE HAVEN'T
20 NOTICED, THE L.A. COUNTY S.T.A.R.S.! PROGRAM PROVIDES
21 OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE EXCEPTIONAL
22 ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. AND TODAY WE WANT TO
23 RECOGNIZE THE D.C.F.S. MULTI-AGENCY RESPONSE TEAM KNOWN AS
24 M.A.R.T., M-A-R-T. BACK IN JANUARY OF 2004, THE BOARD
25 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE CREATION OF THIS MULTI-AGENCY



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1 RESOURCE TEAM, M.A.R.T., WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
2 FAMILY SERVICES. M.A.R.T. IS A SPECIALIZED EMERGENCY RESPONSE
3 PROGRAM WITH A FOCUS ON PARTNERING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT DURING
4 THEIR ARREST WARRANT AND SEARCH COMPLIANCE INVESTIGATIONS WHEN
5 CHILDREN ARE PRESENT. THIS IS A VERY UNIQUE PROGRAM, FOLKS.
6 M.A.R.T. HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL TO THE C.S.E.C. FIRST
7 RESPONDERS PROTOCOL AND HAS RESCUED HUNDREDS OF COMMERCIALY
8 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN FROM EXPLOITATION. M.A.R.T. HAS
9 MAINTAINED FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY BY COMBINING WITH OTHER
10 GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO SHARE AND STREAMLINE THE ALLOCATION
11 OF RESOURCES AND TRAINING. IT'S ABOUT COLLABORATION AND
12 COORDINATION. M.A.R.T. HAD HIGHLY TRAINED SOCIAL WORKERS THAT
13 RESPOND WITH THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS 24 HOURS A DAY, 7
14 DAYS A WEEK. STAFF MEMBERS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN PROVIDING AN
15 EXPEDITED RESPONSE THAT REDUCES TRAUMA TO THE VICTIMS, ENSURES
16 A MORE COMPREHENSIVE UNDERSTANDING OF CHILD SAFETY, AND
17 RESCUES CHILDREN FROM DANGEROUS CRIMINAL ELEMENTS AND
18 SITUATIONS. PLEASE JOIN ME, BOARD MEMBERS AND AUDIENCE, IN
19 HELPING TO RECOGNIZE THIS MONTH'S L.A. COUNTY S.T.A.R.S.!!

20 [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SPEAKER:** EVERY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM BEGINS WITH GREAT STAFF. AND
23 WITHOUT A DOUBT, OUR STAFF HERE ARE WORKING 24/7/365 DAYS A
24 WEEK RESPONDING TO REQUESTS FROM OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS
25 AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS. SO I WANT TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE



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1 CONGRATULATED FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
2 BOARD. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVING RIGHT ALONG, THIS 2016 WE ARE
5 CELEBRATING GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARDS. AND I'D LIKE TO CALL THEM
6 FORWARD. THE COUNTY GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARDS WERE CREATED TO
7 ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND
8 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO
9 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY. ALL OF US NEED TO TAKE STEPS TO
10 REDUCE OUR NATION'S CARBON FOOTPRINT. WHEN THE BOARD
11 ESTABLISHED THESE AWARDS BACK IN 2008, THE SUPERVISORS
12 DESIGNATED A PUBLIC RECOGNITION CEREMONY AS PART OF THE
13 COUNTY'S OFFICIAL OBSERVANCE OF EARTH DAY. ENTRIES RECEIVED
14 THIS YEAR FOCUSED ON INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS THAT PROMOTE
15 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY. AND TODAY WE PROUDLY HONOR THIS
16 YEAR'S 2016 RECIPIENTS OF THE COUNTY'S GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD.
17 TODAY I'D LIKE TO PRESENT YOU WITH THE CHAIR LEADERSHIP AWARD
18 GIVEN TO JONATHAN PARFREY. THE CHAIR LEADERSHIP AWARD
19 RECOGNIZES AN OUTSTANDING PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL
20 SUSTAINABILITY IN THE WORKPLACE AND/OR IN THE BROADER LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY AND COMMUNITIES. JONATHAN IS THE FOUNDER AND
22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CLIMATE RESOLVE. AND HE'S ALSO COFOUNDER
23 OF THE COMMUNITY FAVORITE, WHICH IS BIG IN MY HEART, CICLAVIA.
24 CONGRATULATIONS, AND WE ARE VERY, VERY PLEASED TO HAVE YOU ALL
25 HERE TODAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] WE'LL HAVE THE MEMBERS STAY



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1 CLOSE BY. OUR NEXT CATEGORY IS KNOWN AS THE BUSINESS CATEGORY.
2 AND WE ARE RECOGNIZING THREE SQUARES, INC. THE WOMEN IN GREEN
3 FORUM WAS STARTED BY THREE SQUARES INC., A WOMAN-OWNED
4 CONSULTING FIRM IN SANTA MONICA. THE FORUM ENCOURAGES WOMEN TO
5 PURSUE CAREERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL INDUSTRY AND PROVIDES A
6 PROFESSIONAL NETWORK FOR THEIR WOMEN. WE'D LIKE TO THANK THEM
7 AND RECOGNIZE THEM TODAY AND ASK THE BOARD MEMBERS TO PLEASE
8 JOIN ME IN A PHOTOGRAPH WITH THEM. YES, MA'AM, YOU CAN.

9

10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I'M SORRY, DID YOU SAY SANTA MONICA?
11 [LAUGHTER.] SANTA MONICA, THAT WONDERFUL PLACE. I WANT TO SAY
12 A LITTLE MORE, TOO, ABOUT THE THREE SQUARES, BECAUSE ITS GOAL
13 IS TO HIGHLIGHT WOMEN'S IMPACT IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL ARENA,
14 GIVE OPPORTUNITIES TO WOMEN TO LEARN ABOUT CAREERS IN
15 SUSTAINABILITY, HELP TO BUILD A FUTURE IN WHICH SUSTAINABILITY
16 ISN'T A NEW CONCEPT OR SOMETHING THAT REQUIRES ANY EXTRA
17 EFFORT, SIMPLY THE WAY WE LIVE AND WORK ON THE PLANET. SO
18 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL OF YOUR GOOD WORK. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE PUBLIC
21 AGENCY AWARD, AND THE PUBLIC AGENCY AWARD GOES TO METROPOLITAN
22 WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. [APPLAUSE.] CALIFORNIA
23 WAS FACING, AS YOU KNOW, THE WORST DROUGHT IN MORE THAN 100
24 YEARS. AND THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN
25 CALIFORNIA FOUGHT BACK WITH AN AGGRESSIVE CAMPAIGN CALLED



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1 "REBATES FOR TURF REMOVAL AND WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM."
2 MORE THAN 50 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF TURF HAVE BEEN CONVERTED
3 TO NATIVE PLANTS AND DROUGHT-RESISTANT LANDSCAPING.
4 CONGRATULATIONS TO THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT.
5 [APPLAUSE.]
6
7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND NOW WE PRESENT THE PRESTIGIOUS L.A.
8 COUNTY DEPARTMENT AWARD TO NONE OTHER THAN THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 PUBLIC WORKS. THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
10 COLLABORATED WITH THE L.A. DODGERS THIS YEAR AND THE DODGERS'
11 FOUNDATION ON STRIKEOUT LANDFILL WASTE, A RECYCLING PROJECT.
12 PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS FEATURED FORMER DODGERS PITCHER
13 OREL HERSHISER AND FERNANDO VALENZUELA. I ALSO GOT TO
14 PARTICIPATE IN RECORDING A P.S.A. WITH OREL AND JAIME JARRIN
15 TO HELP OUR COUNTY WITH RECYCLING AND TO HELP US ALL DO THE
16 RIGHT THING. THE P.S.A.S. RECEIVED MORE THAN 44 MILLION MEDIA
17 HITS. WOW. LITTLE LEAGUE TEAMS ACROSS THE COUNTY COMPETED TO
18 ATTEND A DODGERS GAME AND POTENTIALLY THROW OUT THE FIRST
19 PITCH. THE WINNING LITTLE LEAGUE TEAM WAS THE ROOSEVELT PARK
20 DODGERS AND 7-YEAR-OLD PITCHER DANIEL GUTIERREZ, WHO WAS THE
21 TOP RECYCLER. TOGETHER, THE TEAMS REDEEMED OVER 28,000
22 RECYCLABLES, EARNING NEARLY \$10,000. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE DODGERS, AND, YES, TO THE
24 LITTLE LEAGUE AND TO OUR BEST PITCHER STANDING RIGHT HERE NEXT
25 TO ME. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, I HAVE A -- SORRY. LET ME RETRACT
3 THAT. WE HAVE ONE MORE GROUP, OH MY GOD. THE NONPROFIT
4 ORGANIZATION. AND IT'S CALLED GRADES OF GREEN. AND IT'S THE
5 YOUTH CORPS ECO-LEADERSHIP PROGRAM. THEY HELPED TO INSPIRE AND
6 EMPOWER STUDENTS TO CARE FOR AND PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT,
7 MOTIVATED BY THE GRADES OF GREEN TO REKATE YOUTH CORPS ECO-
8 LEADERSHIP PROGRAM. 70 STUDENTS IN GRADES 2ND THROUGH 12TH
9 GRADE ARE PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM THIS YEAR. THE
10 STUDENTS HAVE CREATED A WEBSITE TO RAISE FUNDS TO PLANT 100
11 TREES, EDUCATE FELLOW STUDENTS ABOUT NATIVE PLANTS, AND
12 RECEIVE LEADERSHIP TRAINING DURING FIVE QUARTERLY MEETINGS.
13 CONGRATULATIONS TO GRADES OF GREEN AND ESPECIALLY TO OUR YOUNG
14 STUDENTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** LAST BUT NOT LEAST... THIS IS A REALLY
17 SPECIAL DAY. AND TODAY I'M REALLY HAPPY TO JOIN WITH
18 SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL IN ENCOURAGING PEACE OVER VIOLENCE AND
19 DENIM DAY. PATTI GIGGANS IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PEACE
20 OVER VIOLENCE AND FOUNDED DENIM DAY IN THE UNITED STATES OF
21 AMERICA. DENIM DAY WAS CREATED AS A REACTION TO AN ITALIAN
22 SUPREME COURT RULING THAT OVERTURNED A RAPE CONVICTION ON THE
23 GROUNDS THAT THE VICTIM WORE TIGHT JEANS, THEREIN SOMEHOW
24 INVITING SEXUAL ASSAULT. I REMEMBER THAT. IT WAS HORRIBLE.
25 SINCE THE FIRST DENIM DAY BACK IN 1999, IT HAS RAISED



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1 AWARENESS AND BECOME A HIGHLY VISIBLE RAPE-PREVENTION
2 EDUCATION CAMPAIGN. FOR THE LAST 17 YEARS, PEACE OVER VIOLENCE
3 HAS HELD THEIR ANNUAL DENIM DAY ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL THE -- ON
4 THIS APRIL, WEDNESDAY, AND TOMORROW WILL BE THE 18TH ANNUAL
5 DENIM DAY. I ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE IN DENIM DAY
6 ACTIVITIES, SHOW THEIR SUPPORT BY WEARING DENIM JEANS AND
7 CONTINUE TO PROTEST AGAINST AN ANTIQUATED AND DESTRUCTIVE
8 ATTITUDE TOWARDS SEXUAL ASSAULT. AND AS YOU'LL NOTICE, SOME
9 MEMBERS TODAY ARE WEARING JEANS. SO WE DO WANT TO COMMEND
10 THEM. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M WEARING TOMORROW.

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14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** OKAY, TOMORROW. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.
15 THANK YOU TO PEACE OVER VIOLENCE. THANKS TO PATTI AND TO ALL
16 THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE DRAWN ATTENTION TO THIS OVER THE YEARS.
17 HERE'S WHAT DENIM DAY ASKS OF PEOPLE: IT ASKS THAT YOU PROMISE
18 TO RECOGNIZE THAT SEXUAL VIOLENCE IS EVERYONE'S ISSUE, TO
19 SUPPORT SURVIVORS AND NOT TO BLAME THE VICTIM, TO ENGAGE IN
20 HEALTHY AND VIOLENCE-FREE RELATIONSHIPS, AND TO PARTICIPATE IN
21 OUR NATIONAL CONVERSATION ABOUT RAPE AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE. ARE
22 YOU TWEETING RIGHT NOW OUT THERE IN T.V. LAND? IF YOU ARE, USE
23 HASHTAG GEARUP, DENIM DAY. #GEARUP, #DENIM DAY. IT'S REALLY
24 IMPORTANT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVING RIGHT ALONG, WE HAVE PRESENTATIONS
2 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, KNABE, AND ANTONOVICH.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE'RE
5 DELIGHTED TO HAVE BOTH AREVA MARTIN AND YOLANDA MATTHEWS HERE
6 WITH US THIS MORNING REPRESENTING THE SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK.
7 INDEED, SPECIAL NEEDS IS IN THE HOUSE. YOU'LL RECALL ON APRIL
8 THE 12TH, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMED THE MONTH OF
9 APRIL AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS
10 ANGELES IN AN EFFORT TO PROMOTE AWARENESS ON THE AUTISM
11 EPIDEMIC, WHICH NOW IMPACTS ABOUT 1 IN 68 CHILDREN, AND MORE
12 SPECIFICALLY OF THAT, 1 IN 42 BOYS. WE NOW KNOW THAT WE CAN
13 EFFECTIVELY INTERVENE AND HELP CHILDREN IF WE IDENTIFY THIS
14 DISORDER EARLY ENOUGH. SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK IS A NONPROFIT
15 ORGANIZATION THAT HAS SERVED THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES OVER 11
16 YEARS WITH A COMPLEMENT OF SERVICES FROM FREE SUMMER CAMPS FOR
17 KIDS WITH AUTISM TO YEARLY PARENT AND MENTOR TRAINING PROGRAMS
18 AND MORE. THEY ARE ALSO LEADERS ON SIGNIFICANT POLICY ISSUES
19 INCLUDING CALIFORNIA'S HEALTH INSURANCE MANDATE FOR AUTISM
20 THERAPIES, WHICH WAS JUST EXPANDED TO INCLUDE MEDI-CAL
21 RECIPIENTS. AND, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU WILL KNOW THAT
22 THAT'S A VERY BIG DEAL. THE SPECIAL NEED NETWORK CELEBRATES
23 AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH WITH MORE THAN 10 SPONSORED EVENTS,
24 INCLUDING FAITHBASE AWARENESS DAYS AT LOCAL CONGREGATIONS, A
25 SIGNATURE LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST, AND A TWO-DAY CONFERENCE.



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1 SPECIAL NEEDS IS ON THE CASE. DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL,
2 S.N.N. AS WE CALL IT, BROUGHT A HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAM TO
3 SOUTH LOS ANGELES TO ENCOURAGE PARENTS WITH KIDS WITH AUTISM
4 AND SPECIAL NEEDS AND COMMUNITY RESIDENTS TO MAKE HEALTHY AND
5 FITNESS -- HEALTH AND FITNESS A PRIORITY. THIS IS THE FOURTH
6 YEAR OF THE SOUTH L.A. LET'S GET FIT PROGRAM, WHICH HAS GROWN
7 FROM 20 PARTICIPANTS TO OVER 100 PARTICIPANTS, SOME OF WHOM
8 PARTICIPATED IN THE HOLLYWOOD HALF MARATHON, 5.K AND 10.K RACE
9 ON APRIL THE 19TH. LED BY PROFESSIONAL TRAINERS, THE TEAM
10 LEARNED THE BENEFITS OF REGULAR EXERCISE AND MOVEMENT AND HAD
11 THE BENEFIT OF ONE-ON-ONE COACHING AND ONLINE SUPPORT FOR
12 NUTRITION AND HEALTHY HABITS. WE JUST WANT TO TAKE THIS
13 OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE ALL THOSE PERSONS WITH SOUTH L.A.
14 GETS FIT PROGRAM. IF YOU'D JUST PLEASE STAND AND BE
15 RECOGNIZED, WE'LL GIVE YOU A SHOUT OUT, A BIG ROUND OF
16 APPLAUSE FOR ALL OF THOSE. JUST STAND UP, AND LET'S GIVE YOU A
17 SHOUT OUT. WE THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. THIS IS WHAT THE
18 COMMUNITY SEEKS TO DO. [APPLAUSE.] AND SO, MADAME CHAIR AND
19 COLLEAGUES, IT'S A GOOD THING THAT THEY ARE HERE TODAY. THEY
20 FINISHED -- THEY CROSSED THE FINISH LINE ON APRIL THE 9TH. BUT
21 THE SOUTH L.A. GETS FIT PROGRAM EXTENDS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO
22 ENCOURAGE HEALTHIER LIFESTYLES. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT
23 WE ARE ADVOCATING HERE IN THE COUNTY THROUGH OUR NEW HEALTH
24 AGENCY, AND SO THERE'S COLLABORATION ON THE GROUND. SO SPECIAL
25 NEEDS NETWORK IS LEADING THE WAY ON AUTISM AWARENESS, POLICY



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1 ADVOCACY, AND HEALTH AND WELLNESS EDUCATION. AND WE'RE GLAD TO
2 HAVE THEM HERE TODAY TO CELEBRATE THEIR GREAT WORK IN OUR
3 COMMUNITY. WE NOTE THE FACT THAT OUR CHAIR HAS BEEN HONORED BY
4 SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK. OUR COLLEAGUE SHEILA KUEHL WILL BE
5 HONORED THIS YEAR IN A SPECIAL OCCASION. AND SO WE'RE WRAPPING
6 IT ALL TOGETHER. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS WORKED WITH US CLOSELY
7 IN TERMS OF CELEBRATING AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH YEAR IN AND
8 YEAR OUT. THE PROJECT IN LONG BEACH THAT SOME OF YOU READ
9 ABOUT IN THE NEWSPAPER TODAY IS BUT ONE EXAMPLE THAT THE
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS VERY, VERY INTENSELY AND
11 COLLABORATIVELY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK
12 BROADLY DEFINED AND THE AUTISM SPECTRUM AND HOW WE ALL CAN
13 LEARN AND BE A PART OF IT. AND SO I'D LIKE TO INVITE NOW AREVA
14 MARTIN TO SAY A FEW WORDS. SHE IS THE PRESIDENT OF SPECIAL
15 NEEDS NETWORK. GIVE HER A ROUND OF APPLAUSE AND WELCOME.
16 [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **AREVA MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING. AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
19 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS ON THE BOARD.
20 THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK TO BE HERE TODAY.
21 I'D LIKE TO ASK ALL OF THOSE PARENTS AND ADVOCATES AND STAFF
22 WHO ARE JOINING US THIS MORNING TO STAND. [APPLAUSE.] WE THANK
23 YOU FOR JOINING US THIS MORNING AND BEING A PART OF THIS
24 CELEBRATION. IT IS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH, AND ALL OVER THE
25 COUNTY, WE ARE RAISING AWARENESS AND ACCEPTANCE OF INDIVIDUALS



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1 WHO LIVE WITH AUTISM AND OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS. IT IS BECAUSE OF
2 THE SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE LEGISLATORS,
3 PARENTS, AND ADVOCATES ON THE GROUND THAT OUR WORK IS
4 POSSIBLE. WE'VE SERVED THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES IN SOUTH AND
5 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS, PROVIDING FREE
6 SERVICES THAT HELP KIDS IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE, FROM
7 DIRECT INTERVENTION WITH BEHAVIOR THERAPY TO FREE SUMMER
8 PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE ENRICHMENT TO KIDS. WE ARE CHANGING THE
9 LIVES OF KIDS ONE DAY AT A TIME, BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES
10 IN LOS ANGELES, AND MAKING A REALLY BOLD AND POWERFUL
11 STATEMENT THAT BLACK AND BROWN KIDS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
12 MATTER AND THAT WHEN WE NOURISH THEM, WE SUPPORT THEM, WE GIVE
13 THEM THE RESOURCES THAT THEY SO PROUDLY DESERVE, THAT WE CAN
14 BUILD STRONGER FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THIS
15 COUNTY. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. I ALSO WANT
16 TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOLANDA MATTHEWS. SHE IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF
17 THE SOUTH L.A. GETS FIT, WHICH IS OUR HEALTH PROGRAM. SHE
18 COMPLETED THE HOLLYWOOD HALF MARATHON, RAN WITH THE SPECIAL
19 NEEDS NETWORK TEAM. SHE'S WEARING HER BEAUTIFUL MEDAL, BECAUSE
20 IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, HEALTH MATTERS AND THE HEALTH OF OUR
21 FAMILIES MATTER. AND WE ARE SO PROUD TO HAVE HER HERE WITH US
22 TODAY REPRESENTING ALL OF THOSE WHO JOIN IN OUR HEALTH AND
23 FITNESS PROGRAM. SO AGAIN, ON BEHALF OF THE FAMILIES OF
24 SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK, THE ADVOCATES, AND ALL OF THE



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1 SUPPORTERS WHO ARE JOINED WITH US TODAY, THANK YOU FOR YOUR
2 CONTINUED SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
5 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME SIL
6 ORLANDO HERE TODAY WITH US. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW AND I'VE KNOWN
7 FOR YEARS, HE'S THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OPTIMIST YOUTH
8 HOMES AND FAMILY SERVICES, IN MY OPINION, ONE OF THE BEST THE
9 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COUNTY WHEN IT COMES TO WORKING WITH AT-
10 RISK YOUTH. HE HAS ALSO SERVED ON MANY DISTINGUISHED PANELS,
11 INCLUDING A TERM AS PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF HUMAN
12 SERVICES AGENCIES. AND HE'S ALSO AN APPOINTEE TO THE JUVENILE
13 JUSTICE REFORM PANEL CREATED BY THIS BOARD LAST YEAR. SIL HAS
14 OVER 45 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE WORKING IN THE CHILD WELFARE AND
15 JUVENILE JUSTICE ARENAS. HE IS RENOWN THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
16 AND NATION FOR HIS EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE AND HIS LEADERSHIP. BUT
17 MOST IMPORTANTLY, HE IS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS PASSION AND
18 ADVOCACY FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES. GREAT GUY, GREAT FRIEND,
19 SMART LEADER WHO'S BEEN BOTH STEWARD OF THIS GREAT AGENCY BUT
20 ALSO A MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR TO THE ONGOING CONVERSATION OF
21 IMPROVING AND ENHANCING OUR ABILITIES TO SERVE CHILDREN AND
22 FAMILIES. ACCOMPANYING SIL TODAY, HIS WIFE ALONG WITH MEMBERS
23 OF HIS BOARD AND STAFF. SO LET'S GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE
24 FOR SOME 45-PLUS YEARS OF GREAT SERVICE TO THE KIDS HERE IN
25 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SIL ORLANDO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS. WE'RE FORTUNATE IN THIS COUNTY TO HAVE A BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS THAT'S SO COMMITTED TO THE CHILD WELFARE AND THE
5 MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF OUR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, AND I AM
6 VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THAT. I ALSO WANT THE THANK MY OWN BOARD
7 OF DIRECTORS, MANY OF WHOM ARE STANDING HERE TODAY, FOR THEIR
8 CONSISTENT DEDICATION, SUPPORT AND THE HOURS THEY SPEND
9 INVOLVED WITH OUR AGENCY. OF COURSE, MY WIFE, ADRIANA, FOR
10 PUTTING UP WITH THE CRAZY HOURS, AS WELL. I DID SAY TO THE
11 SUPERVISORS, THIS IS A LITTLE BIT EMBARRASSING, BUT I MUST SAY
12 IT IS A PLEASURE AND AN HONOR TO ACCEPT THIS AWARD. I ACCEPT
13 IT FOR MAYBE THE ONLY ONE TALENT THAT I THINK I HAVE, AND I
14 THINK THAT TALENT IS THE ABILITY TO PICK AN EXECUTIVE STAFF
15 WHO WORK TIRELESSLY EVERY DAY TO MAKE ME LOOK GOOD. THEY'RE
16 THE ONES WHO DO THE EFFORTS EVERY DAY. AND MANY OF THEM ARE
17 HERE, AND I'D LIKE THEM TO STAND UP. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
18 THIS HONOR. WE APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT ROLE
21 MODEL. WE HAVE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE HERE. WE HAVE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE
22 HERE FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, OUR GREAT C.I.F. CHAMPIONS TO
23 SEE, AND WE HAVE MANY, MANY PEOPLE WATCHING AT HOME, BUT THIS
24 YOUNG LADY IS A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL ROLE MODEL, ROLE MODEL
25 FOR EVERYONE, AS I SAID, WHO IS LISTENING AND WATCHING. TODAY



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1 WE'RE CELEBRATING HER 100TH ANNIVERSARY, BUT THAT'S NOT WHY WE
2 ARE REALLY GIVING HER ALSO RECOGNITION. BUT AT THE AGE OF 99,
3 SHE GRADUATED WITH HER ASSOCIATED ARTS FROM THE COLLEGE OF THE
4 CANYONS IN SANTA CLARITA. [APPLAUSE.] SHE RETURNED TO SCHOOL
5 AND RECEIVED HER ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE AT THE AGE OF 99.
6 AND AS A FORMER TEACHER, I REALLY ADMIRE THAT. DOREETHA
7 DANIELS MOVED TO AGUA DULCE IN 1946. SHE WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER
8 OF THE AGUA DULCE WOMEN'S CLUB IN 1948 AND SERVED MANY, MANY,
9 MANY TIMES AS THE PRESIDENT. SHE'S BEEN ACTIVE IN THE
10 COMMUNITY SINCE 1956, AND SHE FOUNDED THE AGUA DULCE SENIORS
11 CLUB. LAST YEAR, AS I SAID, SHE RECEIVED HER DEGREE FROM THE
12 COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS, FULFILLING A LIFELONG GOAL, BECOMING
13 THE OLDEST PERSON TO RECEIVE A DEGREE FROM THAT INSTITUTION.
14 SHE IS A MODEL CITIZEN, HIGHLY ENGAGED IN THE COMMUNITY, AND
15 COMMITTED TO FULFILLING PERSONAL AS WELL AS ACADEMIC GOALS. SO
16 WE WANT TO THANK HER AND HER FAMILY WHO ARE HERE WITH US AND
17 HER FRIENDS WHO SUPPORT US AND GIVE YOU THIS 100TH ANNIVERSARY
18 AND GOOD LUCK ON YOUR DOCTORATE. [APPLAUSE.] [LAUGHTER.]

19

20 **DOREETHA DANIELS:** MAKING 100 YEARS GIVES YOU A LOT OF
21 EXPERIENCE IN MANY OTHER THINGS HAPPEN TO YOU. BUT I CAN SAY I
22 HAVE ENJOYED BEING 100 YEARS. I'VE HAD LOTS OF EXPERIENCE AND
23 MET LOTS OF PEOPLE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** DAVID PERRY, MY DEPUTY IN THE SANTA
2 CLARITA VALLEY WANTS TO THANK YOU. AND, PLUS, HE SHAVED HIS
3 BEARD. [LAUGHTER.] OH, WOMEN LIKE THE BEARD BACK.

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5 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AS I MENTIONED, WE ALSO HAVE THE
6 ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM WINNING THE
7 C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP DEFEATING LA CANADA HIGH
8 SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.] LED BY HEAD COACH DEON PRICE, THE GIRLS
9 HAD A 29-2 SEASON, AND AFTER COMPETITIVE FIRST QUARTER, THEIR
10 DEFENSE WAS DOMINANT, SHUTTING OUT LA CA ADA DURING THE SECOND
11 QUARTER, HOLDING LA CA ADA TO 0 POINTS FROM THE 48-SECOND MARK
12 ON THE FIRST QUARTER TO THE 7.2-SECOND MARK ON THE THIRD
13 QUARTER. THEY WENT ON TO SECURE A VERY IMPRESSIVE 59-46
14 VICTORY, BROUGHT HOME THE C.I.F. TROPHY TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
15 HIGH SCHOOL. SO WE CONGRATULATE COACH PRICE, THE MEMBERS OF
16 THE TEAM, AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL WHO STOOD BEHIND
17 THEM. AND BY CONTINUING THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION, WE
18 KNOW THEY'LL BECOME A VERY DOMINANT FORCE IN THE REGION AND BE
19 MET WITH MUCH SUCCESS. AND WHEN THEY GO ON TO COLLEGE, THEIR
20 EXPERIENCE AND TALENTS FROM THEIR GREAT COACH WILL LEAD THEM
21 INTO A GREAT TEAM WHEN THEY GO TO COLLEGE AND PLAY BASKETBALL.
22 SO LET ME GIVE THIS PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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24 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I HOPE YOU'RE INSPIRED BY DOREETHA
25 GETTING HER DEGREE AT AGE 99. YOU CAN BEAT THAT. BUT EDUCATION



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1 IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS. SO, COACH, DO YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW
2 WORDS?

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4 **DEON PRICE:** WELL, ON BEHALF OF ANTELOPE VALLEY GIRLS'
5 BASKETBALL, WE'D JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR HAVING US
6 DOWN HERE. WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION. AND I'D ALSO
7 LIKE TO THANK MY GIRLS FOR WORKING REALLY HARD AND MAKING THIS
8 POSSIBLE FOR US. THANK YOU GUYS VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A VERY SPECIAL LITTLE
11 BOY. HE'S FOUR MONTHS OLD. THIS IS SEBASTIAN, LOOKING FOR A
12 HOME. OLD TERRIER MIX. SO ANYWAY, LITTLE SEBASTIAN IS LOOKING
13 FOR A HOME.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHAT'S HIS NAME?

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17 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SEBASTIAN. WHEN THEY SAID SEBASTIAN
18 WAS HERE, I THOUGHT YOUR SON WAS COMING IN. [LAUGHTER.] IT WAS
19 A DISNEY MOVIE. ANYWAY, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610 FOR LITTLE
20 SEBASTIAN, WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME, A LITTLE BUTTER BALL.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR A
23 RECORDING AND THEN BEGIN THE PROCESS OF HEARING PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS. THESE ARE ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN HELD BY THE PUBLIC.

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1 **RECORDING:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
2 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
4 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
5 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
6 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
7 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
8 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
9 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
10 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
11 REMINDING TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
12 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
13 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
14 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
15 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
16 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
17 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
18 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
19 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
20 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
21 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
22 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
23 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
24 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
25 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE



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1 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
2 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR
3 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,
4 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

6

7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT I'D LIKE TO CALL UP
8 OUR FIRST PUBLIC COMMENTS BY ARNOLD SACHS, WHO HAS HELD ITEM
9 13, 20, 21, 24 AND 29. ARNOLD SACHS.

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11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS, AND
12 I DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. I HELD ITEM 13. I CERTAINLY
13 APPRECIATE ALL THIS BROUHAHA THAT YOU'RE GOING THROUGH
14 REGARDING NORTH CAROLINA, BUT WHAT REALLY CAUGHT MY EYE,
15 ACTUALLY, WAS THIS ARTICLE ABOUT CHINA. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU
16 READ THAT STORY IN THE NEWSPAPER ABOUT HOW THE CHINESE, THE
17 COURT DISALLOWED THE GAY MARRIAGE. SO I'M WONDERING WHAT YOUR
18 STEPS ARE GOING TO BE TO ADDRESS THAT POLICY. MAYBE YOU'LL
19 LEAD A BOYCOTT OR STOP THE INVESTMENTS IN L.A. OR MAYBE YOU'LL
20 TALK TO DISNEY. YOU KNOW, I WONDER IF DISNEY ACTUALLY KNEW
21 ABOUT THAT POLICY, IF THEY HAD A POLICY BEFORE THEY BUILT THE
22 PARK, THE DISNEYLAND IN CHINA, IF THEY WOULD HAVE KNOWN ABOUT
23 THE CHINESE POLICY REGARDING GAY MARRIAGE. YOU WOULD THINK
24 THEY WOULD HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THAT. AND STILL, THEY WENT AHEAD
25 AND BUILT THE PARK, ANYWAY. SO I'M WONDERING HOW YOU'RE GOING



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1 HANDLE THAT. ALSO, SINCE YOUR PRESENTATIONS ARE PART OF THE
2 AGENDA, I WAS REALLY PROUD OF HEARING THAT YOU GAVE AN
3 EFFICIENCY, THE D.C.F.S. RESPONSE TEAM AND THE ECONOMIC
4 EFFICIENCY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS. I'M THINKING, TWO WEEKS
5 AGO JACKIE LACEY WAS HERE TO GET AN AWARD AND THERE WERE SOME
6 PEOPLE FROM D.C.F.S. AND THEY BOOED HER, BECAUSE SHE WAS
7 PRESSING CHARGES AGAINST SOME D.C.F.S. WORKERS. AND IT WAS
8 MENTIONED IN THAT PRESENTATION THAT THAT PROGRAM HAS BEEN
9 AROUND SINCE 2004. AND YET THE PEOPLE THAT WERE BEING
10 PROSECUTED, THEIR COURT CASE CAME ABOUT FROM AN INCIDENT IN
11 LIKE 2013 OR '14. SO IN 12 YEARS, YOU WOULD THINK THAT THAT
12 RESPONSE TEAM WOULD COVER SOME OF THESE INCIDENTS THAT KEEP
13 POPPING UP IN D.C.F.S. EVIDENTLY WE HAVE A GAP IN THAT KIND OF
14 INSTRUCTION. YOU KNOW, THERE'S A GAP BETWEEN WHAT YOU SAY AND
15 WHAT HAPPENS. I THINK IT WAS MENTIONED BY -- Z ONCE MENTIONED
16 IT, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MENTIONED, "DON'T CONFUSE ACTIVITY
17 FOR ACHIEVEMENT." I HELD ITEM 24, NORWALK GOLF COURSE, OR AS
18 THEY SAY IN AUSTRALIA, "PUT ANOTHER SHRIMP ON THE BARBIE."
19 ANOTHER MILLION DOLLARS FOR NORWALK. THERE WAS A STORY IN THE
20 NEWSPAPER ABOUT SOME HOMELESS', SOME VETERANS' HOUSING THAT
21 WAS CREATED FOR \$3 MILLION. GRANTED IT'S ONLY 11 UNITS, BUT \$3
22 MILLION. HERE YOU'RE SPENDING OVER \$13 MILLION ON NORWALK.
23 WILL THAT BE OPEN TO THE VETERANS? THE MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE.
24 YOU CAN'T EVEN GET DISCUSSION ON HOW TO CLASSIFY WORKERS AT
25 THE PORTS. ANYBODY? AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A MINIMUM WAGE



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1 ORDINANCE. AND EXACTLY HOW IS THAT GOING TO BE OVERSEEN? OH,
2 IT'S GOING TO BE DIRECTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. GOOD
3 LUCK WITH THAT.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
6 ITEMS 3 AND 13 HAVE BEEN HELD.

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8 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR WHILE THE NEXT SPEAKER
9 IS COMING UP, ON ITEM 28, I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION
10 OF THIS ITEM FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
13 IS GENEVIEVE HERE? GENEVIEVE? DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL? HELD
14 ITEMS 3 AND 13? AND JUST TO PUT IT IN THE QUEUE, ERIC PREVEN
15 WILL BE NEXT, WHO HAS HELD SEVERAL ITEMS, AND I WILL LIST
16 THOSE AS SOON AS WE HEAR FROM THIS WITNESS.

17

18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
19 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM NO. 3 HAVING TO DO WITH THE
20 H.I.V. COMMISSION, YOU KNOW, EVERY TIME YOU ACCEPT THOSE
21 NOMINATIONS, I OBJECT TO IT, BECAUSE THAT SHOULD NOT BE AN
22 H.I.V. COMMISSION DECISION TO HAVE THOSE MATTERS APPOINTED. IT
23 SHOULD BE YOUR DECISIONS. AND I'M NOT REFLECTING ON THE
24 QUALITY OF THE PEOPLE SELECTED. I'M JUST COMPLAINING ABOUT THE
25 PROCESS. ON ITEM 13, YOU KNOW I AM BAFFLED, BEING FROM FRANCE,



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1 TO SEE THAT BIG ISSUE ABOUT TOILETS, ABOUT RESTROOM. YOU KNOW,
2 FOR A COUNTRY WHO HAS SO BEHAVIOR, YOU HAVE BATHROOMS WHERE
3 EVERYBODY CAN LOOK UNDER THE DOOR, ON THE SIDE, AND SO ON. YOU
4 KNOW, IN FRANCE, WE HAVE NEUTRAL BATHROOMS, BUT WE CANNOT LOOK
5 INSIDE. AND THAT'S ONE THING I'VE ALWAYS BEEN BAFFLED. YOU
6 KNOW, YOU ARE IN THE U.S.. YOU ARE SO HUNG UP ABOUT SEXUALITY,
7 BUT EVERYBODY CAN LOOK IN THE BATHROOMS, NO MATTER WHICH
8 GENDER THEY ARE. SO I THINK THAT'S A BATTLE WHICH IS A LITTLE
9 BIT, YOU KNOW, ABSURD. AND I THINK WE SHOULD VOTE TO HAVE
10 BATHROOMS WHO HAVE PRIVACY, NO MATTER WHICH GENDER THEY ARE
11 SERVING. AND, YOU KNOW, I WONDER HOW THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
12 OFFICER WOULD DECIDE WHICH REMOVAL OF BUSINESS WITH NORTH
13 CAROLINA WILL AFFECT THE INTERESTS OF THE COUNTY. I THINK
14 THAT'S A LITTLE BIT FETCHING. AND I HAD ASKED A COPY OF YOUR
15 AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF WASHINGTON, D.C. AND I WAS KIND OF
16 SURPRISED HOW LIGHT THE AGENDA WAS. SO, I THINK I WILL LIKE TO
17 HAVE A REAL AGENDA, BECAUSE IF YOU WENT TO WASHINGTON, D.C.
18 ONLY FOR THOSE MEETINGS, I QUESTION IT, BECAUSE TO SEE SENATOR
19 BOXER OR TO SEE ROBERT -- YOU COULD SEE THEM IN LOS ANGELES.
20 BUT ANYWAY, I JUST WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE. AND I AM UPSET
21 EVERY TUESDAY WHEN YOU READ THAT LITTLE PIECE OF INFORMATION,
22 WHO VIOLATE ALL THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS AND THE FREEDOM OF
23 SPEECH. BUT I WILL SHARE WITH YOU MY RESPONSE TO THE PASADENA
24 COUNCIL, WHO IS ALSO ABSURD. THANK YOU.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ERIC PREVEN HAS HELD ITEMS 11,
2 13, 24, 28 AND 30-C.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT IS ERIC
5 PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. WELCOME BACK FROM YOUR TRIP TO
6 WASHINGTON, AND PLEASE REFRAIN FROM PLAYING THAT AUDIO
7 RECORDING THAT IS INSULTING TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT OUTSET
8 OF THIS PERIOD. I WOULD LIKE TO RAISE A RED FLAG ON, ONCE
9 AGAIN, ITEM NO. 24, WHICH COMES FROM A NICE PLACE IN SPIRIT,
10 WHICH IS TO PROVIDE A CHILDREN'S GOLF ACADEMY AT THE NORWALK
11 CITY GOLF COURSE WHO ARE GOING TO GET NO RENT, BUT THE COUNTY
12 AGREED TO TAKE OVER THIS FACILITY, AND ORIGINALLY IT WAS \$3.6
13 MILLION THAT WE WERE GOING TO INVEST IN TURNING IT AROUND AND
14 MAKING A NICE ACADEMY. NOW WE ARE ADDING ANOTHER ALMOST \$10
15 MILLION TO THAT MIX. AND THE GROUP WHO RECOMMENDED THAT WE DO
16 SO IS THE GROUP THAT WILL TAKE, I BELIEVE, IT'S UP TO A
17 MILLION FOR CONSULTING ON THE PROJECT. IT JUST DOES NOT FEEL
18 LIKE IT'S THE KIND OF DECISION THAT SHOULD BE MADE SIMPLY ON
19 DISTRICT PREROGATIVE. IT FEELS LIKE GIVEN ALL THE COUNTY NEEDS
20 FOR -- WE ARE A PARK-POOR ENVIRONMENT. CERTAINLY THE FOURTH
21 DISTRICT HAS SOME GOOD THINGS GOING, BUT THEY ALSO HAVE SOME
22 NEEDS. I'M JUST -- I'M SURPRISED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
23 -- AND I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL MADE THE MOTION LAST WEEK
24 AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDED IT. SO WE APPRECIATE YOUR
25 SUPPORT, BUT WE ARE VERY WORRIED. ITEM NO. 4 IS THE COUNTY OF



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1 L.A., AS WE ALL KNOW, IS COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING A DIVERSE
2 AND SKILLED WORKFORCE. AND HERE, MARY WICKHAM, WHO IS THE NEW
3 COUNTY COUNSEL, IS LOOKING TO BRING IN SOME OF THE CIVIL
4 SERVICE COMMISSION IDEAS IN-HOUSE AT COUNTY COUNSEL. WELL,
5 THAT COULD NOT BE A WORSE IDEA OBVIOUSLY FROM THE PERSPECTIVE
6 OF FOLKS WHO ARE LOOKING FOR A FAIR AND OPEN AND TRANSPARENT
7 KIND OF ADJUDICATION TAG. NOW, I REALIZE THIS IS RIGHT INSIDE
8 THE LET'S NOT DO A FAIR AND OPEN KIND OF JUDICIOUS
9 ADJUDICATION GAG. IT'S MORE CLOSED, LET THE PEOPLE HANDLE IT
10 ON THEIR OWN IN THIS LITTLE ENVIRONMENT. IT'S A VERY BAD IDEA
11 TO DO THAT, I THINK. ITEM R-2 IS DELAYED AGAIN TO MAY 31ST OR
12 SOMETHING. IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO MEET ON THE ISSUES REGARDING
13 THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE, I MEAN, HOW ARE WE
14 EXPECTED -- WE HAVE NOTICED THAT MS. MCDONALD IS GONE, THAT
15 SHERIFF BACA HAS BEEN CONVICTED OR SOMETHING AND TANAKA HAS
16 BEEN. I MEAN, WHY ARE WE DOING NOTHING? DOES ANYBODY REALLY
17 BELIEVE THAT THIS HAS ALL BEEN REMEDIED AND WE CAN MOVE
18 FORWARD WITHOUT MEETING ABOUT IT? AND WHAT ABOUT THE TASER, IF
19 I MAY? WHAT ABOUT THE TASER AND THE SPARKING OF THE TASER THAT
20 IS A POLICY THAT ARE EXACTLY THE KINDS OF DISSONANT ITEMS THAT
21 CAUSE DIFFICULTY GOING FORWARD IN THE LAWSUITS REGARDING THE
22 LIABILITY, WHICH EVERYBODY AT C.S. -- YOU KNOW WHAT I'M
23 TALKING ABOUT. AND ITEM NO. 13, I AM VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS
24 BOARD'S EFFORT TO ROAR DOWN THESE JERKS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO
25 FEEL SOMEHOW THAT IT IS THEIR RIGHT AS ELECTED OFFICIALS TO



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1 MODIFY THE LAW SO THAT IT IS NOT JUST UNCONSTITUTIONAL BUT SO
2 DEEPLY OFFENSIVE. I COMMEND THIS BOARD FOR STANDING AS ONE ON
3 THIS. AND ALL I CAN SAY IS IT IS A TERRIBLE, TERRIBLE DAY FOR
4 NORTH CAROLINIANS WHO ARE WITH US AGAINST THIS HORRIBLE LAW.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ALEX DAVIS. HE'S HELD
8 ITEM 29. AND JOSEPH MAIZLISH WHO'S HELD ITEM 30-C.

9

10 **ALEX DAVIS:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
11 BOARD. MY NAME IS ALEX DAVIS. I'M THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS
12 MANAGER AT THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION,
13 V.I.C.A.. COLLECTIVELY WE REPRESENT OVER 400 VALLEY AND LOS
14 ANGELES BUSINESSES AND NONPROFITS. OVER THE PAST FIVE MONTHS,
15 THIS BOARD HAS HEARD COUNTLESS TESTIMONIES OF REPEATEDLY
16 NOTING THAT WAGE THEFT HAS NO PLACE IN LOS ANGELES AND THE
17 COUNTY OR THE CITY. AS THE ENTIRE REGION MOVES FORWARD TO
18 COMBAT WAGE THEFT, WE MUST CONSIDER A COHESIVE, UNIFIED PLAN,
19 ONE THAT UNDERSTANDS UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCES OF EACH VIOLATION.
20 V.I.C.A. REMAINS CONCERNED THAT THE PROPOSAL BEFORE THE BOARD
21 DOES NOT INCLUDE A RECENT AMENDMENT THAT WAS INCLUDED WITHIN
22 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES THAT ALLOWS THE CITY TO CONSIDER THE
23 EXTENT OF HARM BEFORE DETERMINING THE PENALTIES, EMPOWERING
24 THE CITY TO EXERCISE DISCRETION AND FLEXIBILITY IN DETERMINING
25 PENALTIES, ENSURES THAT AN HONEST MISTAKE IS TREATED AS SUCH.



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1 THIS BOARD HAS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE LASTING AND
2 SMART POLICIES TO PROTECT AGAINST WAGE THEFT. WE ENCOURAGE THE
3 COUNTY TO CONSIDER THE RECENT AMENDMENT THAT WAS PASSED BEFORE
4 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

7

8 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** YES. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOE MAIZLISH.
9 THANK YOU, CHAIR SOLIS, FOR PUTTING ON THE AGENDA 30-C, WHICH
10 IS TO JOIN THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
11 JUSTICE, IN DECLARING NATIONAL RE-ENTRY WEEK. THIS GOES ALONG
12 VERY WELL WITH A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO THE DECLARATION OF
13 NATIONAL VICTIMS RIGHTS WEEK, VICTIMS OF CRIME RIGHTS WEEK
14 HERE IN THE COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY ARE PAIRED WELL TOGETHER. AND
15 I'D LIKE TO READ THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF AN ARTICLE BY ONE OF
16 THE PEOPLE IN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WHO PUT TOGETHER
17 THIS NATIONAL RE-ENTRY WEEK. "THIS APRIL DURING NATIONAL CRIME
18 VICTIMS RIGHTS WEEK AND THE FIRST NATIONAL RE-ENTRY WEEK WE
19 CELEBRATE AMERICA'S PROGRESS IN SUPPORTING BOTH CRIME VICTIMS
20 AND THE THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO RETURN TO OUR COMMUNITIES
21 EVERY YEAR FROM JAILS AND PRISONS. ONLY ONE CALENDAR WEEK
22 SEPARATES THE TWO OBSERVANCES, BUT THE GULF OF PUBLIC
23 PERCEPTION, WHO SOCIETY ENVISIONS AS VICTIMS AND PERPETRATORS
24 OF CRIME IS MUCH WIDER, OFTEN TO THE DETRIMENT OF GETTING
25 PEOPLE THE HELP THEY NEED." YOU MAY RECALL I'M A MARRIAGE AND



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1 FAMILY SPECIALIST WITH A SPECIALTY IN SERVING WORKPLACE CRISIS
2 SITUATIONS, VARIOUS VICTIMS OF CRIMES AND ACCIDENTS AND
3 INCIDENTS, AND HAVE VOLUNTEERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
4 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AS A THERAPIST IN SEXUAL ABUSE
5 MATTERS. THE LINE BETWEEN VICTIMS AND PERPETRATORS IS NOT AS
6 THICK AS WE OFTEN THINK. MANY VICTIMS ARE RESILIENT, AND THEY
7 RECOVER TO THEIR REGULAR LIVES, OTHERS NOT. SOME LIVE
8 RESTRICTED LIVES OR EMBITTERED LIVES OR ARE IMPAIRED IN
9 VARIOUS WAYS. AND A FEW GO ON TO PASS ALONG THE HARM THEY HAVE
10 SUFFERED IN SOME FORM OR ANOTHER TO OTHERS. AND ALL OF THEM
11 NEED OUR COMPASSION. AND THIS IS A TOUGH ISSUE, BECAUSE I'M
12 CALLING FOR COMPASSION EVEN FOR THOSE WHOM WE MUST RESTRICT.
13 WE'RE OBLIGED EVEN TO CONFINED THEM PHYSICALLY AND IMPRISON
14 SOME PEOPLE FOR SOME PERIODS OF TIME, PERHAPS LONG PERIODS OF
15 TIME, IF THEY POSE A HAZARD THAT CANNOT BE SUFFICIENTLY
16 REDUCED IN ANY OTHER WAY. SO IT'S COMPASSION FOR ALL VICTIMS
17 AND CARE, OF COURSE, AND RESTRICTION OF THOSE WHOM WE MUST
18 RESTRICT. AND THAT'S JUST A CHALLENGE. AND I'VE FELT IT
19 MYSELF. THERE'S CONFLICT IN ALL THE DIRECTIONS THERE. BUT I
20 THINK BEARING THAT IN MIND WILL GET US IMPROVED POLICIES AND
21 ALSO HELP US INTERVENE AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE PLACE IN
22 PEOPLE'S LIVES. ONE OF MY TEACHERS SAID, "HOW DOES SOMEBODY
23 GET FROM BEING BORN TO KILLING MELISSA, A 20-YEAR-OLD YOUNG
24 WOMAN?" THAT'S A CHALLENGE. AND I THINK IT'S WORTHY OF YOUR
25 INVENTIVENESS AND A LOT OF INVESTMENT. THANK YOU.



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY, I'D LIKE TO
3 CALL UP THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS THAT REQUESTED TO SPEAK
4 PUBLICLY, AND WE'LL TRY TO DO IT IN THREE BATCHES, BECAUSE WE
5 HAVE SEVERAL. JOHANNA WAALACE, RENATA CIUZAUSK-MARKLEY, DAVID
6 MARKLEY. AND PORTER GILBERG. I CALLED FOUR, YES. JOHANNA
7 WAALACE, RENATA AND DAVID AND PORTER GILBERG. ALL RIGHT, IN
8 THAT ORDER. JOHANNA?

9

10 **JOHANNA WAALACE:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DO YOU NEED A TRANSLATOR? [SPEAKING
13 SPANISH.] COULD WE GET A TRANSLATOR, PLEASE? OKAY. LET'S GO
14 ON. [SPEAKING SPANISH.] OKAY, LET'S GO TO RENATA. GOOD
15 MORNING. YES. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **RENATA CIUZAUSK-MARKLEY:** THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SERVICE, AND
18 IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY TO GET A MOMENT OF YOUR TIME.
19 AND I'M HERE TODAY TO EXPRESS THE TALK ON THE SUBJECT OF OUR
20 L.A. COUNTY SEAL AND TO SHARE THE VIEW HOW THAT I DO OBJECT
21 AND I AM OFFENDED BY THE INCOMPLETE RECORDATION AND RECORDING
22 OF THE HISTORY IN THIS PRECIOUS SEAL. IT IS THE ABSENCE OF THE
23 CROSS ON THE CATHOLIC MISSION BUILDING THAT I PERSONALLY FIND
24 MOST OFFENSIVE AND A MOST INCOMPLETE RECORDING OF OUR HISTORY.
25 I SEE IT THAT THIS GENERATION SEEMS TO MAKE THE JOB OF THE



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1 NEXT GENERATION, LIKE MY GENERATION, VERY DIFFICULT, IF WHEN
2 IT COMES TO EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN, THEN YOU DON'T HAVE THE
3 FACTS ON YOUR SIDE, AND IT'S JUST REALLY MUCH HARDER TO HAND
4 THAT HISTORY CORRECTLY TO THE NEXT GENERATION. SO THAT
5 CONCERNS ME AS A FUTURE PARENT VERY MUCH. AND ALSO WHAT
6 CONCERNS ME EXTREMELY IS THE EXAMPLE THAT IT SETS. IT SEEMS
7 THAT WE ARE PICKING AND CHOOSING THE FACTS. THEN IT IS HISTORY
8 IN THE PAST THAT WE HAVE NO WAY TO AFFECT. IT IS THE FUTURE WE
9 HAVE ABILITY TO CREATE AND AFFECT, NOT THE PAST. SO THEREFORE,
10 I FIND IT COMPLETELY WRONG TO PICK AND CHOOSE THE FACT BASED
11 ON THE FEELINGS OF THE PEOPLE. HISTORY IS DONE. ALL WE CAN DO
12 IS RECORD IT CORRECTLY, AND WE DO HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO DO SO,
13 BECAUSE OTHERWISE, WHERE WOULD WE BE? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT WITNESS?

16

17 **DAVID MARKLEY:** THE LADY HAS TOLD ME THAT I HAVE BEEN -- THAT I
18 SHOULD BE CALLED UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT?

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU HELD ITEM 13?

21

22 **DAVID MARKLEY:** NO, MA'AM. THEY DIDN'T ASK ME FOR AN ITEM HERE.
23 I'M HERE TO COMMENT.

24



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN. YEAH, SHE'S CORRECT, I'M
2 SORRY.

3

4 **DAVID MARKLEY:** OKAY. I'LL COME BACK. THANK YOU.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THE OTHER WITNESSES? GO AHEAD,
7 MA'AM.

8

9 **PORTER GILBERG:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS PORTER GILBERG, AND
10 I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE L.G.B.T.Q. CENTER OF LONG
11 BEACH, AND I'M HERE ON ITEM 13. THE CENTER IS INCREDIBLY
12 THANKFUL TO CHAIR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR BRINGING THIS
13 MOTION FORWARD. THE IMPACT OF NORTH CAROLINA'S DECISION TO
14 ENACT THIS DISCRIMINATORY LAW AGAINST TRANSGENDER AND GENDER
15 NONCONFORMING PEOPLE IS FAR REACHING AND COMPROMISES THE
16 SAFETY AND DIGNITY OF TRANS PEOPLE EVERYWHERE. I AM DEEPLY
17 CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPACT THIS LAW HAS ON OUR OWN
18 COMMUNITIES. AND I WORRY THAT TRANS PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY TRANS
19 WOMEN OF COLOR, WILL BEAR THE BRUNT OF THIS ADDITIONAL
20 SCRUTINY. LAST MONTH, A TRANS WOMAN WAS BEATEN AND STABBED IN
21 LONG BEACH. FORTUNATELY, SHE SURVIVED. AND I'VE NEVER SEEN OUR
22 POLICE AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY WORK SO QUICKLY TO INVESTIGATE
23 AND PROSECUTE AND ATTACK AS A HATE CRIME. WHILE THIS IS
24 COMMENDABLE, THIS ALSO DEMONSTRATES THE BLATANT VICIOUSNESS
25 PEOPLE CONTINUE TO EXHIBIT TOWARDS TRANS PEOPLE IN



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1 COMMUNITIES. TODAY YOU CAN CLEARLY SEND A MESSAGE THAT STATE-
2 SANCTIONED DISCRIMINATION IS WRONG, THAT THE FURTHER
3 MARGINALIZATION OF TRANS PEOPLE IS UNACCEPTABLE, AND THAT THE
4 INCREASED HOSTILITY THAT THIS LAW HAS BROUGHT TO COMMUNITIES
5 EVERYWHERE MUST STOP. I APPLAUD THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
6 CONSIDERING THIS MOTION TODAY. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
7 ACKNOWLEDGE THE TREMENDOUS SUPPORT THAT THE CENTER AND OUR
8 L.G.B.T.Q. COMMUNITY HAS RECEIVED FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE. HE
9 HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLE ALLY TO OUR COMMUNITY FOR DECADES, AND
10 WE ARE A SAFER AND MORE AFFIRMING COMMUNITY BECAUSE OF HIS
11 LEADERSHIP AND COMPASSION. THIS MOTION IS INCREDIBLY
12 MEANINGFUL TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES AND TO OUR L.G.B.T.Q.
13 COMMUNITY IN LONG BEACH. OUR LOCAL HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
14 IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECOMMENDING OUR CITY COUNCIL TAKE
15 SIMILAR ACTION, AND AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE TODAY WILL CERTAINLY
16 ADD WEIGHT TO THIS CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR BRINGING
17 THIS MOTION FORWARD. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND
18 SUPPORT. AS THE WHOLE NATION WATCHES, I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD TO
19 LIVE IN A COUNTY THAT'S STANDING ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HISTORY.
20 THANK YOU.

21
22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? PUEDE EMPEZAR.

23
24 **JOHANNA WAALACE:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]
25



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1 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOANNA WALLACE, AND I'M
2 A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TRANSLATING COALITION.

3

4 **JOHANNA WAALACE:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

5

6 **INTERPRETER:** I WANT TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
7 SPEAK WITH RESPECT TO ARTICLE 13 ON THE AGENDA OF TODAY.

8

9 **JOHANNA WAALACE:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

10

11 **INTERPRETER:** I'M HER TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSITION PRESENTED BY
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS WITH COLLABORATION WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

13

14 **JOHANNA WAALACE:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

15

16 **INTERPRETER:** PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU PASS THIS PROPOSITION
17 TO SUPPORT THE TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY.

18

19 **JOHANNA WAALACE:** THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MUCHAS GRACIAS. OKAY, I'M GOING
22 TO CALL UP IN SETS OF THREE. DRIAN JUAREZ, TERRA RUSSELL-
23 SLAVIN, MARIANNA MARROQUIN, AND VICTOR MARTINEZ. GO AHEAD.
24 THANK YOU.

25



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1 **DRIAN JUAREZ:** GOOD MORNING, L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
2 CITY STAFF, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS' GENDER NONDISCRIMINATION MOTION.

4
5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** STATE YOUR NAME, MA'AM. STATE YOUR NAME.

6
7 **DRIAN JUAREZ:** MY NAME IS DRIAN JUAREZ, AND I MANAGE THE
8 TRANSGENDER ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROJECT WITHIN THE LEGAL
9 SERVICES OF THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER. I'M ALSO A MEMBER
10 OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD'S TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD,
11 AND I'M A PROUD IMMIGRANT, LATINA, QUEER TRANSGENDER WOMAN.
12 THE FUTURE IS FLUID. A RECENT ARTICLE IN OUT.COM MAGAZINE
13 STATED THAT YOUNG ADULTS BETWEEN THE AGE OF 13 AND 20 ARE
14 PREDOMINANTLY GENDER NONCONFORMING, BI, OR QUEER. LESS THAN 50
15 PERCENT OF THEM IDENTIFIED AS HETEROSEXUAL. 53 PERCENT OF THEM
16 KNEW SOMEBODY WHO USED GENDER-NEUTRAL PRONOUNS, AND A WHOPPING
17 70 PERCENT OF THEM SUPPORTED AND ARE COMFORTABLE WITH GENDER-
18 NEUTRAL BATHROOMS. THE FUTURE IS FLUID, AND THE FUTURE IS NOW.
19 I GREW UP AS A GENDER-VARIANT CHILD AT A TIME WHEN THERE WAS
20 NO LANGUAGE TO DESCRIBE MY IDENTITY, THERE WERE NO RESOURCES
21 FOR KIDS LIKE ME, AND THERE WAS NO SUPPORT FOR MY PARENTS.
22 THIS MEANT THAT EVERY DAY I WENT TO SCHOOL, I WAS CALLED
23 NAMES, I WAS PHYSICALLY ASSAULTED, I WAS EMOTIONALLY BATTERED,
24 AND NOT JUST BY OTHER KIDS, SOMETIMES BY TEACHERS. THOSE
25 EXPERIENCES LED ME TO BECOME AN ACTIVIST, AND I WANTED TO HELP



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1 CREATE A WORLD WHERE GENDER VARIANT CHILDREN LIKE MYSELF COULD
2 GROW UP IN A WORLD WHERE THEY WERE SAFE AND COULD THRIVE.
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S GENDER NONDISCRIMINATION MOTION IS THE KIND
4 OF ACTIVISM WE NEED. IT SENDS A CLEAR AND POWERFUL MESSAGE
5 THAT WE WILL NOT STAND BY WHILE STATES LIKE NORTH CAROLINA
6 CRIMINALIZE TRANS BODIES. WE WILL NOT STAND BY WHILE THESE
7 STATES TRY TO LEGISLATE AND CRIMINALIZE TRANS IDENTITIES.
8 TODAY, THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS SAYING TO THE
9 WHOLE WORLD THAT TRANS PEOPLE MATTER, THAT TRANS PEOPLE
10 DESERVE TO BE SAFE..

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **DRIAN JUAREZ:** ..AND THAT THEY DESERVE HAVE TO HAVE THEIR
15 IDENTITIES RESPECTED. TODAY, THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS IS HELPING TO CREATE A WORLD WHERE TRANS PEOPLE
17 CAN THRIVE.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **DRIAN JUAREZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

24



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1 **TERRA RUSSELL-SLAVIN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS TERRA RUSSELL-SLAVIN.
2 I'M THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND COMMUNITY BUILDING AT
3 THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
4 KUEHL AND CHAIR AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS
5 MOTION. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
6 THEIR LEADERSHIP BOTH IN THE COUNTY AND THE COUNTRY ON
7 L.G.B.T. EQUALITY. ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T.
8 CENTER, THE LARGEST PROVIDER OF L.G.B.T. SERVICES IN THE
9 WORLD, I WANT TO STRONGLY SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM NO. 13,
10 OPPOSITION TO GENDER IDENTITY DISCRIMINATION. I ALSO WANT TO
11 SUPPORT THE COMMENTS THAT MY COLLEAGUES HERE, BOTH AT THE
12 TABLE RIGHT NOW AND BEHIND ME, ARE RAISING. ONE SPECIFIC ITEM
13 OF INFORMATION I WANT TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION IS THE
14 NATIONAL CONSENSUS STATEMENT OF ANTI-SEXUAL ASSAULT AND
15 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORGANIZATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FULL AND EQUAL
16 ACCESS FOR THE TRANS COMMUNITY. THIS WAS AUTHORED BY THE
17 NATIONAL TASKFORCE TO END SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AGAINST
18 WOMEN, AND IT'S BEEN SIGNED BY MORE THAN 250 ORGANIZATIONS,
19 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT, NATIONAL, STATE AND
20 LOCAL ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IT NOTES THAT THOSE PUSHING THESE
21 ANTI-TRANS PROPOSALS HAVE CLAIMED THAT THEY'RE NECESSARY FOR
22 PUBLIC SAFETY AND FOR PROTECTING WOMEN AND CHILDREN. HOWEVER,
23 THESE DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE ON
24 THE FRONTLINE OF PROVIDING SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO SURVIVORS OF
25 THESE VIOLENCE STATE THAT THESE CLAIMS ARE SIMPLY FALSE. NOT



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1 ONLY DOES IT NOT DENY PROTECTION ON THE BASIS OF
2 DISCRIMINATION, NOT ENHANCE ANYONE'S SAFETY, IT ACTUALLY
3 INCREASES THE RISK FOR TRANS AND GENDER NONCONFORMING
4 INDIVIDUALS IN OUR SOCIETY WHEN ACCESSING PUBLIC SPACES. FOR
5 ALL OF THESE REASONS, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AND
6 AGAIN WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE.

7

8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

9

10 **MARIANNA MARROQUIN:** MY NAME IS MARIANNA MARROQUIN, AND I'M A
11 PROGRAM MANAGER OF THE ANTI-VIOLENCE PROJECT OF THE LOS
12 ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER. I KNOW DISCRIMINATION. I KNOW
13 VIOLENCE. AND I KNOW HATE. PERSONALLY, I ALSO KNOW -- I KNOW
14 THAT PERSONALLY ALSO THROUGH MY CLIENTS. PEOPLE HAVE NO IDEA
15 THE LAYERS OF DISCRIMINATION AND VIOLENCE THAT TRANS PEOPLE
16 EXPERIENCE EVERY DAY. I AM A SURVIVOR, AND I HAVE THE
17 PRIVILEGE TO GIVE BACK NOT ONLY TO MY COMMUNITY BUT OTHER
18 PEOPLE IN NEED. FOR ME IT IS SURREAL TO THINK THAT I'M
19 FIGHTING FOR THE RIGHT TO USE THE RESTROOM WHEN MANY OTHER
20 IMPORTANT THINGS ARE HAPPENING, SUCH AS HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT,
21 AND APPROPRIATE HEALTHCARE FOR BROTHERS AND SISTERS. WE NEED
22 YOUR SUPPORT, NOT BECAUSE ALL OF THE HATE THAT WE HAVE
23 SUFFERED, BUT BECAUSE WE ARE A HARD WORKING COMMUNITY THAT
24 DESERVE EQUAL RIGHTS. YOUR SUPPORT MEANS A LOT. IT MEANS THAT
25 YOU SEE US AS WHO WE ARE. THE ARGUMENT ABOUT TRANS PEOPLE



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1 ATTACKING MINORS IN BATHROOMS IS MISLEADING EVEN PEOPLE THAT
2 SUPPORT US, ALLIES. ON THE CONTRARY, MURDERS AND MURDERS OF
3 TRANS WOMEN, ESPECIALLY WOMEN OF COLOR, KEEP RISING, AND IT'S
4 NOT ACCEPTABLE. I'VE BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS
5 FOR MY COMMUNITY, AND I AM ASHAMED TO SAY THAT I LIVE IN FEAR.
6 THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, BECAUSE YOUR SUPPORT MEANS
7 THE TOOL TO DEFEND OURSELVES. MORE THAN EVER WE NEED OUR
8 ALLIES, FRIENDS, AND FAMILIES TO SPEAK UP ABOUT THIS
9 INJUSTICE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MUCHAS GRACIAS. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

12

13 **VICTOR MARTINEZ:** YES, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS VICTOR
14 MARTINEZ. I'M THE PROGRAM MANAGER AT BIENESTAR. I'M ONE OF THE
15 ALLIES AND A FRIEND MARIANNA WAS TALKING ABOUT. I'M ALSO THE
16 PROGRAM MANAGER OF TRANSGENDER UNITED PROGRAM, WHICH IS ONE OF
17 THE LARGEST TRANSGENDER PROGRAMS FOR LATINA IMMIGRANTS IN THE
18 COUNTRY. AND I'M HERE TO FULLY SUPPORT THE MOTION BY MADAME
19 CHAIR HILDA SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WE BELIEVE AT
20 BIENESTAR THAT IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO SUPPORT THE TRANSGENDER
21 COMMUNITY IN ANY WAY WE CAN. NO MORE DISCRIMINATION. NO MORE
22 GENDER IDENTITY DISCRIMINATION. WE APPLAUD THIS MOTION, AND WE
23 RECOGNIZE YOU AS A CHAMPION ON THIS FIGHT. I AM A MEXICAN GAY
24 IMMIGRANT, AND FOR ME IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO LIVE IN A COUNTY
25 WHERE WE SEE YOU AS A CHAMPION IN THIS FIGHT AND HERE IN



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1 SOLIDARITY WITH THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE ALSO MIKAELA
5 SAELUA, BAMBY SALCEDO, JUSTINE GONZALEZ, ASHLEE MARIE PRESTON.
6 YES, GO AHEAD.

7

8 **MIKAELA SAELUA:** HI, MY NAME IS MIKAELA SAELUA. I WORK FOR THE
9 RED CIRCLE PROJECT HERE IN L.A. AND I WANTED TO SHARE A STORY
10 ABOUT HOW I WAS IN CHURCH ON SUNDAY AND I RECEIVED A MESSAGE
11 ON PERSPECTIVES, SPECIFICALLY HOW THE WAY WE TALK ABOUT OTHER
12 PEOPLE, THE WAY WE TREAT OTHER PEOPLE IS PAINTING A PICTURE.
13 IT'S PAINTING A PICTURE OF WHO THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY MAY BE,
14 MAY OR MAY NOT BE. AND THIS NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATION IS
15 ATTEMPTING TO PAINT A PICTURE OF TRANS FOLKS. AND THAT PICTURE
16 DEPICTS US AS PREDATORS, WHICH IS DISGUSTING, AND IS A TACTIC
17 THAT APPEALS TO THE FEARS IN A LOT OF -- IN HUMAN BEINGS. AND
18 I'M HERE TO SAY THAT I AM NOT A PREDATOR. TRANS PEOPLE ARE NOT
19 PREDATORS. ON THE CONTRARY, A LOT OF TRANS PEOPLE ARE THE
20 TARGET OF PREDATORS. AND WE ARE SISTERS. WE ARE BROTHERS. WE
21 ARE LOVERS. WE ARE FRIENDS. AND WE ARE A RESILIENT COMMUNITY,
22 AND WE DON'T DESERVE TO BE TARGETED IN THIS WAY. A LOT OF
23 TIMES, I GET DISENFRANCHISED WITH GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE IF YOU
24 JUST WATCH THE NEWS YOU CAN GET DISENFRANCHISED, BUT I BELIEVE
25 IN REWARDING GOOD BEHAVIOR. SO I'M HERE TO SAY GREAT JOB. AND



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1 THANK YOU FOR ALL -- FOR REASSURING TRANS FOLKS IN L.A. AND
2 TRANS FOLKS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY THAT YOU ALL CARE ABOUT US
3 AND THAT YOU ALL WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN A STATE THAT IS
4 CONTINUING TO DISENFRANCHISE TRANS FOLKS. AND I REALLY BELIEVE
5 THAT THIS MOTION IS GOING TO ADD OUR NAME TO THE LIST OF
6 INSTITUTIONS AND THE LIST OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES THAT HAVE
7 ALREADY MOVED FORWARD WITH SUPPORTING TRANS FOLKS. SO I
8 APPLAUD YOU ALL, AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN SEE MORE POSITIVE WORK
9 IN TERMS OF TRANS FOLKS COMING OUT OF THE CITY OF L.A. THANK
10 YOU.

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MIKAELA. NEXT
13 SPEAKER.

14

15 **ASHLEE MARIE PRESTON:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS
16 OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ASHLEE MARIE PRESTON, AND I AM A
17 STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER WITH THE STONE WALL DEMOCRATIC CLUB.
18 AND I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF YOUR MOTION TO TAKE A STAND
19 AGAINST H.B.2 AND TO SUSPEND BUSINESS WITH NORTH CAROLINA. I
20 AM REALLY PROUD THIS MORNING TO BE AN ANGELENO, BECAUSE WE
21 STOOD TOGETHER. AND WHEN WE OPENED THIS MEETING, WE PLACED OUR
22 HANDS OVER OUR CHEST AND WE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
23 TO A FLAG, WHICH IS SYMBOLIC OF THE LIBERTIES AND JUSTICE THAT
24 WE ALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA. AND WHAT WE
25 ARE REALIZING BY REFUSING TO STAND WITH NORTH CAROLINA IN THIS



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1 DECISION, WE ARE REINSTATING THAT WE WILL NO LONGER ALLOW
2 MARGINALIZATION TO DIVIDE OUR COUNTRY. IN THE PLEDGE OF
3 ALLEGIANCE, WE SAID THAT WE ARE INDIVISIBLE, WHICH MEANS THAT
4 WE ARE UNITED. AND TO BE UNITED MEANS TO STAND IN SOLIDARITY
5 WITH ONE ANOTHER WHEN THERE IS A GROUP OF MEMBERS IN OUR
6 COMMUNITY THAT ARE BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. AND I AM
7 REALLY GRATEFUL THAT YOURSELF, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND
8 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, ARE REALLY BACKING US IN THE TRANS COMMUNITY
9 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE NO LONGER ALLOW THESE TOOLS OF STRUCTURAL
10 OPPRESSION AND VIOLENCE TO CONTINUE AND TO ROB US OF OUR
11 RIGHTS AND OUR FREEDOMS. SO THANK YOU AGAIN. WE DEFINITELY
12 SUPPORT YOUR MOTION. AND I AM REALLY EXCITED TO SEE THE
13 OUTCOME OF THIS. SO THANK YOU.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **JUSTINE GONZALEZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUSTINE GONZALEZ.
18 I'M TRANSGENDER AND GENDER NONCONFORMING. I WANT TO THANK THE
19 BOARD FOR CONSIDERING THIS. I SERVE AS A CLIENT ADVOCATE WITH
20 THE LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER AS WELL AS A MEMBER OF THE
21 L.A. CITY TRANSGENDER ADVISORY COUNCIL. AND THE LEVEL OF
22 VIOLENCE AND DISCRIMINATION THAT OUR COMMUNITY STILL FACES
23 THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTRY IS INCREDIBLE AND IT IS SCARY AND IT'S
24 TOUGH FOR SO MANY OF US TO LIVE OUT AND LIVE OUR LIVES HAPPILY
25 AND PEACEFULLY. AND I THINK THAT IT SENDS A GREAT MESSAGE THAT



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1 -- YOU KNOW, IF THE GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO DO ANYTHING, WHAT
2 THE WORDING IN THE MOTION IS, HONOR AND INCLUDE OUR
3 CONSTITUENTS AND MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN
4 PUBLIC LIFE WITHOUT HAVING THE FEAR OF BEING YELLED AT, BEING
5 ATTACKED PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY. AND I THINK THAT
6 LEGISLATION LIKE H.B.2 OVER IN NORTH CAROLINA, IT SEND THIS
7 MESSAGE TO PEOPLE THAT IT'S OKAY TO BEAR UPON GREATER SCRUTINY
8 ON PEOPLE LIKE US, IT'S OKAY TO CALL US OUT IN PUBLIC, IT'S
9 OKAY TO CHALLENGE OUR ABILITY AND OUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN
10 PUBLIC LIFE. AND I STAND WHOLEHEARTEDLY WITH THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS IN OPPOSING IT, BECAUSE IT'S DISGUSTING.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

14

15 **BAMBY SALCEDO:** BUENOS DIAS. GOOD MORNING. FIRST OF ALL, MY
16 NAME IS BAMBY SALCEDO, AND I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF THE
17 TRANSLATING COALITION. I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING SUPERVISOR
18 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORTH, ITEM
19 NO. 13. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS CONTRIBUTE
20 IN SUPPORT OF TRANS PEOPLE AGAINST THE CONTINUOUS HATE THAT WE
21 FACE. I WANT TO REALLY THANK YOU FOR DOING THAT AND REALLY
22 SENDING THE MESSAGE OF HOW OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS ARE
23 RESPONSIBLE, RIGHT, FOR EITHER CREATING OR -- FOR ELIMINATING
24 STRUCTURAL VIOLENCE, RIGHT? AND THE FACT THAT WE HAVE THIS
25 MOTION PUT FORTH SENDS THE MESSAGE THAT WE HAVE AMAZING



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1 ELECTED OFFICIALS THAT SUPPORT JUSTICE AND SUPPORT THE WELL-
2 BEING OF TRANS PEOPLE SPECIFICALLY. WE KNOW THAT H.B.2
3 OBVIOUSLY IS A LEGISLATION THAT CONTINUES TO PERPETRATE
4 VIOLENCE AGAINST TRANS PEOPLE AND WITH YOUR SUPPORT, OBVIOUSLY
5 WILL SEND A MESSAGE AND BE AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHER INSTITUTIONS
6 THAT WILL STAND AGAINST INJUSTICE AND AGAINST THE CONTINUOUS
7 VIOLENCE THAT TRANS PEOPLE CONTINUE TO FACE. SO I JUST WANT TO
8 REALLY COMMAND YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR EFFORTS. AND
9 THANK YOU SO MUCH. I AM SO PROUD TO SAY THAT I AM AN ANGELENO
10 AND THAT I HAVE SUCH AMAZING FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES AND
11 SUPPORTERS THAT STAND AGAINST INJUSTICE AGAINST OUR COMMUNITY.
12 SO THANK YOU SO MUCH.

13

14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP QUEEN
15 VICTORIA ORTEGA, ADRIEL RODRIGUEZ, J.D. SANTACRUZ, AUDREY KUO.
16 GO AHEAD. STATE YOUR NAME.

17

18 **QUEEN VICTORIA ORTEGA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS QUEEN VICTORIA ORTEGA
19 FROM BOYLE HEIGHTS. I WANT TO START OFF BY COMMENDING THE
20 MEASURE THAT IS GOING TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A VOTE. I ALSO WANT
21 TO STRESS THAT IT IS DEEPLY IMPORTANT THAT WE SEND A VERY
22 CLEAR AND UNIFIED MESSAGE THAT L.A. COUNTY WOULD NOT STAND FOR
23 HATE. AS SOMEONE WHO HAS SERVED THE TRANS COMMUNITY FOR OVER
24 20 YEARS, IT IS DEEPLY IMPORTANT AND DEEPLY CLOSE TO MY HEART
25 TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS A CLEAR MESSAGE SUPPORTED



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1 UNANIMOUSLY AND IN ADDITION TO THAT, THAT WE ALSO THINK OF THE
2 CONSEQUENCES AND WHAT PATH WE ARE BUILDING FOR THE REST OF THE
3 COUNTRY TO THINK ABOUT. IF YOU'RE OF JEWISH DESCENT, IF YOU
4 ARE BLACK, IF YOU'RE OF IMMIGRANT PARENTS, REMEMBER THE TIME
5 AND WHAT IT STIRRED IN YOUR HEART TO SEE YOUR ANCESTORS SUFFER
6 DISCRIMINATION THAT HAD BEEN LEGISLATED AND HATRED THAT HAD
7 BEEN LEGISLATED. KEEP THAT IN MIND. WE WILL NOT REMEMBER THE
8 WORDS OF OUR ENEMIES, BUT REMEMBER DID SILENCE OF OUR FRIENDS.
9 I WANT TO CHALLENGE US ALL NOT TO BE SILENT, ESPECIALLY OUR
10 ALLIES THAT ARE HERE TODAY AROUND THE TABLE. AS SOMEONE WHO
11 HAS SERVED AND HAS THE WANT TO RUN FOR OFFICE, AND WHEN I WIN,
12 I HOPE NOT TO HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT WHAT BATHROOM I HAVE TO GO
13 INTO, BUT THAT I WAS SUPPORTED NOT ONLY BY MY COUNTY BUT BY MY
14 CITY AND THAT THAT MESSAGE WAS SENT LOUD AND CLEAR TO THE REST
15 OF THE WORLD. THANK YOU.

16

17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

18

19 **ADRIEL RODRIGUEZ:** MY NAME IS ADRIEL RODRIGUEZ. I AM A LATINO
20 OF TRANSGENDER EXPERIENCE. I'M CURRENTLY THE PATIENT ADVOCATE
21 FOR THE TRANSGENDER HEALTH PROGRAM AT ST. JOHN'S ,AND I'M ALSO
22 THE LEADER OF THE TRANSGENDER RIGHT TO HEALTH COMMITTEE AT ST.
23 JOHN'S. AND IN MY 10 MONTHS OF DIRECT SERVICE WITH MORE THAN
24 900 PATIENTS, I HAVE WITNESSED TRANSGENDER PEOPLE FACING
25 DISCRIMINATION AND DENIAL OF CARE OF SERVICES, OF ALL KINDS OF



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1 SERVICES. YOU KNOW, SOME MAY CLAIM THAT WE LIVE IN THE ERA OF
2 THE TRANSGENDER TIPPING POINT, AN ERA WHERE TRANSGENDER ISSUES
3 ARE DISCUSSED WITHIN THE MAINSTREAM. LAST YEAR AT LEAST 21
4 WOMEN WERE VIOLENTLY KILLED. AND THIS YEAR, THERE'S NOT ONLY
5 H.B.2, BUT THERE ARE ALSO 44 ANTI-TRANSGENDER BILLS BEING
6 CONSIDERED IN OVER 16 STATES IN THE U.S. WHEN THE NATION
7 CELEBRATES MARRIAGE EQUALITY OR THE VISIBILITY OF TRANSGENDER
8 INDIVIDUALS IN THE MAINSTREAM, THE CONVERSATION STOPS SHORT OF
9 DISCUSSING THE BARRIERS THAT TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS CONTINUE
10 TO FACE ON A DAILY BASIS OR THE ADVOCACY EFFORTS THAT OCCUR.
11 MY EXPERIENCE AS A TRANSGENDER MAN HAVE TAUGHT ME THAT THERE'S
12 NO OPTION TO RETREAT. TRANSGENDER PEOPLE MUST NOT ONLY BE
13 TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN CONSTRUCTING SUPPORT SERVICES,
14 BUT THEY MUST BE UPLIFTED, AS IT IS INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO
15 FIND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES, ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, HOUSING,
16 AND HEALTHCARE. IN THE LINE OF WORK THAT I DO, IT IS VERY
17 SELDOM THAT I HEAR ABOUT MY CLIENTS ACQUIRING A NEW JOB
18 OPPORTUNITY, BEING RESPECTED, OR EVEN FINDING LOVE. THE
19 TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY IS PRESSED INTO TRYING TO FIT A MOLD
20 THAT IS ABOUT NOT VISIBLY LOOKING TRANSGENDER. WE FACE SO MANY
21 OBSTACLES, AND THE GREATEST OBSTACLES WE FACE IS THE ONE THAT
22 TAKES AWAY OUR RIGHT TO EXIST. ADVOCACY EFFORTS AND EDUCATION
23 CAMPAIGNS ARE BEING TAKEN ON BY COMMUNITIES. HOWEVER, WE ARE
24 IN NEED OF ALLIES WHO BELIEVE AND CELEBRATE OUR EXISTENCE AND



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1 WHO ARE WILLING TO STAND BY US IN SUPPORT. AND I'M LOOKING AT
2 YOU ALL FOR THAT. SO THANK YOU.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **J.D SANTACRUZ:** HI. MY NAME IS J.D SANTACRUZ. I'M ONE OF THE
7 PATIENT ADVOCATES FOR ST. JOHN, AS WELL. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT
8 OF ITEM 13. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SOLIS, FOR THIS
9 MOTION, YOU KNOW, FOR TAKING LEADERSHIP ON THIS, BECAUSE IT
10 DOES SEND A VERY CLEAR MESSAGE. AND I AGREE WITH MY COLLEAGUES
11 THAT HAVE ALSO COME UP HERE AND STATED THEIR SUPPORT ON THIS.
12 WE NEED TO STOP THIS DISCRIMINATION. AS SOMEONE WHO IS NON-
13 BINARY, IT IS ALREADY ANXIOUS ENOUGH TO TRY TO GO USE THE
14 BATHROOM AND EXPERIENCE THIS AS SOMEONE WHO HAS EXPERIENCED
15 THIS MULTIPLE TIMES, HAS EXPERIENCED VIOLENCE, HAS EXPERIENCED
16 TRAUMA BECAUSE OF IGNORANCE. I'M VERY HAPPY TO BE PART OF THIS
17 BOARD HEARING IN SUPPORT OF THIS. AND I'M GRATEFUL TO HAVE
18 ALLIES THAT ARE VISIBLE EXAMPLES AND STAND UP AGAINST
19 INJUSTICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

22

23 **AUDREY KUO:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TO
24 SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 13. MY NAME IS AUDREY KUO, AND I'M
25 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF A.P.I. EQUALITY L.A., A GRASSROOTS



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1 ORGANIZATION THAT ADVOCATES FOR L.G.B.T.Q. EQUALITY AND RACIAL
2 AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. I'M ALSO SPEAKING AS A GENDER-QUEER
3 CALIFORNIAN WHO HAS LIVED IN L.A. COUNTY FOR 12 YEARS. AS A
4 GENDER-QUEER PERSON, MY GENDER IDENTITY FALLS OUTSIDE OF THE
5 MALE/FEMALE BINARY. ACCESSING PUBLIC RESTROOMS OFTEN MAKES ME
6 FEEL UNSAFE, BECAUSE I FACE LONG STARES, PEOPLE INFORMING ME
7 I'M IN THE WRONG BATHROOM, WITH POTENTIAL VIOLENCE AND
8 HARASSMENT BY SECURITY GUARDS. LAST FALL, I WAS CALLED FOR
9 JURY DUTY IN L.A. COUNTY. I FILLED OUT THE FORMS ONLINE,
10 WATCHED ALL THE PREP VIDEOS, AND THEN ARRIVED EARLY AT THE
11 CLARA SHORTRIDGE FOLTZ CENTER JUST DOWN THE STREET. AND THEN
12 BECAUSE IT'S JURY DUTY, I ALSO WAITED FOR A FEW HOURS, SO
13 EVENTUALLY I NEEDED TO USE THE RESTROOM. AND AS I WALKED
14 THROUGH THE DOOR, I HEARD THE SECURITY GUARD CALLING ME, SIR,
15 THAT'S A WOMAN'S RESTROOM. I DECIDED TO KEEP WALKING, HOPING
16 HE WOULDN'T FOLLOW ME IN TO START A CONFRONTATION OR WORSE,
17 AND WHEN I CAME OUT, THE SECURITY GUARD LOOKED AT ME AGAIN,
18 APPARENTLY DECIDED IT HAD BEEN OKAY FOR ME TO USE THE
19 RESTROOM, AND LET ME GO BACK TO THE WAITING ROOM. THIS IS JUST
20 ONE EXAMPLE OF THE SCRUTINY AND FEAR I AND OTHER GENDER-QUEER,
21 GENDER-NONCONFORMING, AND TRANSGENDER PEOPLE FACE WHEN WE'RE
22 IN PUBLIC, INCLUDING IN COUNTY BUILDINGS. ALL GENDER RESTROOMS
23 WOULD OFFER ME AN OPTION THAT FEELS SAFER, WHERE I KNOW I CAN
24 PEE IN PEACE, FREE FROM HARASSMENT. I ALSO WANT TO AFFIRM THAT
25 BINARY TRANSGENDER PEOPLE MUST BE ALLOWED TO USE RESTROOMS



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1 THAT MATCH THEIR GENDER IDENTITY. A.P.I. EQUALITY L.A. IS ON
2 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF TRANSFORM CALIFORNIA, A STATEWIDE
3 COALITION THAT WAS STARTED BECAUSE WE FACED A TRANS PUBLIC
4 BALLOT INITIATIVE SIMILAR TO THE ONE THAT WAS PASSED IN NORTH
5 CAROLINA. I URGE THE SUPERVISORS AND EVERYONE LISTENING TO
6 VISIT TRANSFORMCALIFORNIA.COM TO SIGN THE PLEDGE TO OPPOSE ANY
7 EFFORTS TO SINGLE OUT TRANSGENDER OR GENDER-NONCONFORMING
8 CALIFORNIANS FOR DISCRIMINATION OR DISRESPECT, AND TO LEARN
9 MORE ABOUT TRANSGENDER PEOPLE IN CALIFORNIA. I'M GRATEFUL TO
10 THE SUPERVISORS TO BRING FORWARD THIS RECOMMENDATION AND I
11 URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE AND TO MAXIMIZE THE
12 NEXT 60 DAYS TO MAKE L.A. COUNTY SAFER AND MORE INCLUSIVE FOR
13 TRANSGENDER AND GENDER-NONCONFORMING ANGELENOS. THIS GOES
14 BEYOND RESTROOMS. IT INCLUDES MEASURES, POLICIES, AND
15 PRACTICES THAT AFFIRM AND UPLIFT OUR VOICES AND EXPERIENCES
16 THAT ENSURE THAT WE HAVE ACCESS TO ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND
17 THAT WE'RE ABLE TO LIVE, WORK, AND PARTICIPATE FULLY AS
18 ANGELENOS, FREE FROM HARASSMENT AND DISCRIMINATION. THANK YOU.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WE HAVE SHEAR AVORY,
21 JAZZMUN CRAYTON, GISELLE SCHILLING, TARENCE JONES BEY.

22

23 **SHEAR AVORY:** HELLO. I AM SHEAR AVORY. I'M A MULTIRACIAL BLACK
24 AND INDIGENOUS TRANSGENDER NONCONFORMING FEM YOUTH OF COLOR.
25 I'M THE PROGRAM ASSISTANT OF GENDER JUSTICE LOS ANGELES, A



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1 2016 ANGEL OF CHANGE FOR THE CENTER OF TRANSGENDER YOUTH,
2 HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL LOS ANGELES, AND
3 I AM A STATE COUNCILMEMBER OF THE G.S.A. TRUTH COUNCIL. WE AS
4 A DIVIDED NATION ARE LIVING CONSCIOUSLY IN A CRISIS THAT
5 TRANSCENDS AND SURPASSES OUR BORDERS. THE WILLIAMS INSTITUTE
6 HAS RECENTLY REPORTED THAT 60 PERCENT OF TRANSGENDER YOUTH WHO
7 HAVE BEEN DENIED ACCESS TO SCHOOL RESTROOMS THAT REFLECT THEIR
8 GENDER IDENTITY HAVE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE. 60 PERCENT. IN THE NOW
9 FIVE STATES, THEN SIX STATES, AT THE TIME OF THIS REPORT
10 PUBLISHED ON MONDAY APRIL 18, 2016, THAT ARE CURRENTLY
11 CONSIDERING THE PASSING OF ANTI-TRANS LEGISLATIONS, NORTH
12 CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA, MISSISSIPPI, KANSAS AND ILLINOIS,
13 THE WILLIAMS INSTITUTE PREDICTS THAT IF THESE LEGISLATIONS
14 PASS AND HAVE PASSED, BETWEEN 7,600 AND 17,101 TRANSGENDER
15 YOUTH ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEMPT SUICIDE WITH 1 IN 100 AND 1 IN
16 200 YOUTH AGED 15 THROUGH 24 WHO ATTEMPT SUICIDE TO DIE AS A
17 RESULT, THE AVERAGE SIZE OF THREE AMERICAN CLASSROOMS.
18 TRANSGENDER AND NONBINARY QUEER YOUTH ARE AMONG THE MOST
19 IMPACTED AS A RESULT OF DISCRIMINATORY LEGISLATION. IT IS
20 IMPERATIVE THAT THE STRUGGLES OF TRANSGENDER AND NONBINARY
21 QUEER YOUTH BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF OUR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS OF
22 ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH RESILIENCE
23 AND LIBERATION. YOUTH ARE THE NEXT GENERATION OF INNOVATION,
24 YET THE EXPERIENCES OF YOUTH ARE SILENCED AND ERASED. I WOULD
25 LIKE TO SINCERELY THANK THE LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND ASK THAT YOU INCLUDE THE IMPACT OF YOUTH.
2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **JAZZMUN CRAYTON:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND DISTINGUISHED
7 BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS JAZZMUN. I'M A TRANS WOMAN OF COLOR,
8 AS MY INVOLVEMENT GROWS, AND I'M HERE IN SOLIDARITY OF AGENDA
9 13. AS MY INVOLVEMENT GROWS IN THE TRANSGENDER, NONCONFORMING
10 COMMUNITIES, I REALIZE THAT MUCH WORK NEEDS TO BE DONE WHEN IT
11 COMES TO INFORMING AND EDUCATING THE GENERAL POPULATION ABOUT
12 THE NEEDS AND DISPARITIES THAT EXIST WITHIN THE TRANS
13 COMMUNITY AND HOW LAWS AFFECT BEHAVIOR AND CREATE INEQUITABLE
14 STANDARDS THAT CAN INHIBIT AND PREVENT COMMUNITIES FROM
15 PROGRESSING. THE HATEFUL H.B.2 BILL IN NORTH CAROLINA IS ONE
16 OF MANY POLITICAL MANEUVERS USED BY POLITICAL PARTIES AND
17 RELIGIOUS EXTREMISTS AS A FORM OF SOCIAL CONTROL TO REPRESS
18 THE TRANS COMMUNITY AND TO REINFORCE THEIR STAUNCH BELIEFS. IT
19 BEGS THE QUESTION, WHY ARE THEY SO CONCERNED ABOUT PEOPLE'S
20 GENITALS WHEN THEY HAVE NO -- WHEN THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS
21 OF TRANS PERSONS OR PEOPLE MOLESTING OR SEXUALLY ASSAULTING
22 ANYONE IN A PUBLIC RESTROOM? HOWEVER, THESE POLICIES AND LAWS
23 ARE BIASED TOWARD DISCRIMINATING AGAINST TRANS WOMEN AND
24 VIRTUALLY IGNORES THE TRANSMASCULINE COMMUNITY. THE MEDIA IS
25 MAINLY FOCUSED ON SENSATIONALIZED STORIES ON MEN WORRYING



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1 ABOUT THEIR WIVES AND DAUGHTERS SEEING PENISES IN THE WOMEN'S
2 RESTROOM. THESE HARSH AND STRICT LAWS INVALIDATE PEOPLE'S
3 GENDER IDENTITIES AND ADD UNNECESSARY HARM AND CHALLENGES TO
4 AN ALREADY DIFFICULT LIFE EXPERIENCE. THESE LAWS CAN BE
5 EXTREMELY DAMAGING TO TRANS INDIVIDUALS, MENTALLY AND PHYSICAL
6 HEALTH. TRANS LIFELINE IS A SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE
7 SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR THE TRANS COMMUNITY. THE DIRECTOR OF
8 THE TRANS LIFELINE STATED IN AN ARTICLE THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN
9 INCREASE IN THE VOLUME OF CALLS POSSIBLY DUE TO THE NUMBER OF
10 BILLS REGARDING TRANSGENDER BATHROOM USAGE. SHE ALSO STATED
11 THE INCREASING CALLS COULD NOT BE ATTRIBUTED TO SEASONAL
12 FLUCTUATIONS, SHOWING THAT THESE BILLS HAVE A NEGATIVE IMPACT
13 ON THE MENTAL HEALTH OF TRANS AND GENDER NONCONFORMING PEOPLE.
14 AND IN CONCLUSION, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT TRANSGENDER
15 NONCONFORMING PEOPLE AND THEIR ALLIES UNITE IN SOLIDARITY TO
16 REPEAL THESE LAWS IN ORDER TO PROMOTE TRUE EQUALITY AND END
17 THE DEHUMANIZATION OF TRANS PEOPLE NATIONWIDE. AND I'D LIKE TO
18 SAY NORTH CAROLINA IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL STATES I'VE
19 EVER BEEN IN. THANK YOU.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **GISELLE SCHILLING:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME GISELLE
24 SCHILLING. I'M HERE IN REPRESENTATION OF BIENESTAR HUMAN
25 SERVICES. I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT AND IN FAVOR OF MOTION 13.



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1 I'M A TRANSGENDER WOMAN. AND AS PART OF THE TRANSGENDER
2 COMMUNITY, WE'RE ALWAYS FIGHTING FOR EQUALITY AND
3 AUTHENTICITY, WHICH MEANS THAT WE ARE ALWAYS QUESTIONED OF WHO
4 WE ARE. I'M HERE TO TELL YOU THAT I'M A FEMALE. I WAS BORN
5 WITH A FEMALE BRAIN. I BEHAVE AS A FEMALE. I THINK AS A
6 FEMALE. THEREFORE, I'M A FEMALE. THEREFORE, I SHOULD USE THE
7 FACILITIES THAT I IDENTIFY, OF THE GENDER THAT I IDENTIFY
8 WITH. I HAVE RIGHTS, AS WELL. THEREFORE, I MATTER AND MY
9 COMMUNITY MATTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **TARENCE JONES BEY:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M
14 TARENCE JONES BEY. ACCORDING TO -- NOT ACCORDING TO, BUT
15 AGENDA 13, I FEEL THE SUPPORTERS OF AGENDA 13 SHOULD HONOR,
16 YOU KNOW, TRADITIONAL FAMILY VALUES, BECAUSE IT DOES CAUSE
17 CONFUSION WHEN WE ARE OUT IN PUBLIC. YOU KNOW, LIKE I'M NOT
18 EXPECTING TO SEE A WOMAN IN THE MEN'S RESTROOM, AND I'M SURE
19 THE WOMEN ARE NOT EXPECTING TO SEE A MAN IN THE WOMAN'S
20 RESTROOM. AND THIS WILL CAUSE A LOT OF CONFUSION, LEAVING A
21 LOT OF SPACE FOR CRIME, ESPECIALLY RAPISTS, BECAUSE YOU COULD
22 JUST HAVE, I MEAN, HOW LONG IS IT GOING TO TAKE FOR PEOPLE TO
23 CATCH ON TO THIS NEW MOVEMENT? AND NEXT THING YOU KNOW, WE
24 HAVE MEN IN THE WOMEN'S RESTROOM AND VICE VERSA. I RESPECT
25 EVERYBODY'S VIEWS. BUT I JUST FEEL, YOU KNOW, WE SHOULD



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1 MAINTAIN THE FAMILY VALUES ALSO. AND I THINK THE GAY COMMUNITY
2 SHOULD HONOR THAT ALSO. IT IS NOT JUST A MATTER OF, YOU KNOW,
3 JUST THEM. THERE'S STILL HETEROSEXUALS OUT, YOU KNOW, AND THIS
4 AFFECTS US ALSO. AND I JUST, YOU KNOW, HOPE Y'ALL SEE, AND
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THANK YOU.

6

7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO
8 BRIEFLY RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR KUEHL ON THIS ITEM.

9

10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I'D
11 LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO CAME TO TESTIFY IN FAVOR
12 OF THIS MOTION FOR TAKING THE TIME, FOR TELLING THEIR STORIES.
13 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS LEANED OVER TO ME AND SAID, "WE'VE
14 GOT TO PUT THIS ALL TOGETHER IN A DOCUMENTARY. IT'S POWERFUL.
15 IT'S COMPELLING. AND IT'S SO IMPORTANT. THERE IS NOTHING LIKE
16 ORGANIZING. THERE IS NOTHING LIKE MOVEMENT, NOTHING LIKE
17 SPEAKING OUT TO REALLY CHANGE THE WORLD. GOVERNMENTS COME
18 ALONG BEHIND AND SAY WE'LL DO OUR PART. WE HAVE POWER. WE MUST
19 USE IT. AND THAT IS WHAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DO TODAY. BUT IT
20 WAS REALLY THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES SPEAKING OUT AND DEMANDING
21 BOTH ATTENTION AND WHAT AMERICA PROMISES IN TERMS OF EQUALITY
22 AND FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE. IN THE 90S WHEN I WAS ELECTED TO THE
23 ASSEMBLY, THERE WERE NO BILLS, THERE WERE NO LAWS BARRING
24 DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MUCH LESS ANY
25 DEALING WITH GENDER IDENTITY. AND WHEN WE AMENDED THE HATE



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1 CRIMES STATUTE, I COULD NOT GET PEOPLE TO INCLUDE GENDER
2 IDENTITY AS A SPECIFIC CATEGORY IN THE HATE CRIMES STATUTE. SO
3 WE DID SOMETHING VERY SNEAKY, BECAUSE ALL OF THIS IS REALLY
4 ABOUT GENDER, GENDER DISCRIMINATION, DISCRIMINATION AGAINST
5 PEOPLE WHOSE SEXUAL ORIENTATION IS DIFFERENT FROM HETEROSEXUAL
6 GENDER DISCRIMINATION, AND THIS ISSUE ABOUT TRANSGENDER IS
7 VERY MUCH THE SAME. SO WE STRETCHED THE DEFINITION OF GENDER
8 DISCRIMINATION IN THE HATE CRIMES STATUTE TO INCLUDE ANY CRIME
9 COMMITTED AGAINST A PERSON BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T THINK THEY
10 LOOKED RIGHT OR SOUNDED RIGHT OR WALKED RIGHT OR DID RIGHT FOR
11 WHAT YOU PERCEIVED AS THEIR GENDER. AND I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT
12 THE VERY FIRST PROSECUTION OF ANYONE FOR A HATE CRIME AGAINST
13 A TRANSGENDER PERSON WAS MADE UNDER THAT STATUTE BEFORE WE PUT
14 IN THE WORDS "GENDER IDENTITY." CALIFORNIA HAS SINCE
15 RECOGNIZED THESE CATEGORIES AND AMENDED THE STATUTE. AND WE'RE
16 STEPPING UP TODAY TO DO WHAT WE CAN AND SAY HERE IN LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY, WHERE ONE OUT OF EVERY 35 AMERICANS LIVES, WE
18 SAY WE WILL NOT SUPPORT THIS KIND OF DISCRIMINATION IN A STATE
19 THAT'S ACTUALLY SMALLER THAN OUR COUNTY. AND WE WILL NOT ALLOW
20 ANY OFFICIAL VISITS, TAX MONEY TO BE SPENT, ET CETERA ON GOING
21 TO A PLACE UNTIL THEY CHANGE THEIR POLICY. BUT MOSTLY I WANT
22 TO THANK CHAIR SOLIS, A VERY, VERY STRONG ALLY, FOR BRINGING
23 THIS MOTION, AND ALL OF THOSE BRAVE PEOPLE, COURAGEOUS PEOPLE,
24 WONDERFUL PEOPLE WHO HAVE SHOWN UP ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SUPERVISOR
2 RIDLEY-THOMAS? I'LL BE THE LAST SPEAKER.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, I THINK THE
5 DATA SHOULD SPEAK. OUR OWN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS, THE
6 MOST RECENT HATE CRIME REPORT SUGGESTED SEXUAL-ORIENTATION-
7 MOTIVATED CRIMES, AND I WANT TO UNDERSCORE THE TERM "CRIME,"
8 REPRESENTED SOME 28 PERCENT OF ALL HATE CRIME. LOS ANGELES
9 EXPERIENCED THE HIGHEST RATE OF VIOLENCE FOR HOMOPHOBIC CRIMES
10 SINCE 2003, THE HIGHEST, NOT DECREASING. IT OBVIOUSLY SPIKED
11 IN A SIGNIFICANT WAY. 93 PERCENT OF HATE CRIMES COMMITTED ON
12 THE BASIS OF GENDER IDENTITY WERE OF A PHYSICALLY VIOLENT
13 NATURE. YOU'VE HEARD TESTIMONY THAT YOU CAN OFFER UP AS BEING
14 ANECDOTAL. I APPEAL TO THE STATISTICAL DATA, OFFICIAL REPORTS,
15 THAT OUR OWN HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION HAS COMPILED. 47
16 PERCENT AGGRAVATED ASSAULT. 33 PERCENT SIMPLE ASSAULTS. 13
17 PERCENT CRIMINAL THREATS. HATE CRIMES BASED UPON GENDER
18 IDENTITY ARE MORE PREVALENT AGAINST PEOPLE OF COLOR. YOU SAW
19 QUITE A NUMBER OF PERSONS OF COLOR HERE TODAY. NOT OFTEN IS IT
20 THE CASE THAT YOU SEE THAT, BUT IN FACT YOU SAW IT TODAY IN
21 LOS ANGELES. SOME 79 PERCENT OF THE VICTIMS OF TRANSGENDER
22 HATE CRIME WERE LATINO. 14 PERCENT WERE AFRICAN-AMERICAN.
23 NATIONALLY, 53 PERCENT OF THE L.G.B.T.Q. HATE CRIMES WERE
24 PERSONS OF COLOR, WHERE PERSONS OF COLOR CONSTITUTE ONLY 33
25 PERCENT OF THE U.S. POPULATION. DISTURBINGLY, I THINK IT HAS



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1 TO BE SAID THE VAST MAJORITY, SOME 73 PERCENT OF GENDER-
2 IDENTITY BASED CRIMES TOOK PLACE IN PUBLIC PLACES, ON PUBLIC
3 TRANSPORTATION, ON THE SIDEWALK, AND, YES, IN PUBLIC
4 RESTROOMS. SO, H.B.2 AND MEASURES LIKE IT ARE OFTEN FRAMED AS
5 PROTECTIVE MEASURES, BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THEY ARE
6 ANYTHING BUT PROTECTIVE. THEY ARE VEHICLES OFTEN TO INSTILL
7 FEAR, TO PERPETUATE HATE, AND ULTIMATELY CAUSE THOSE WHO
8 EMBRACE THEM TO BE ON THE SIDE OF THOSE WHO ARE PURVEYORS OF
9 VIOLENCE. SO THERE'S INSUFFICIENT STATISTICAL EVIDENCE THAT
10 WARRANTS THIS LEGISLATION, AND I BELIEVE THAT IN A DEMOCRATIC
11 SOCIETY PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO THEIR VIEWS. AND THAT MEANS WE
12 HAVE A RIGHT TO OBJECT VEHEMENTLY TO PERPETRATION OF VIOLENCE
13 IN ANY FORM. IT IS UNDENIABLE BY VIRTUE OF THE FACT THAT THESE
14 ARE CATEGORIZED AS HATE CRIME THAT WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO
15 RESIST ANYTHING THAT TARGETS ANY SPECIFIC GROUP OF PEOPLE
16 OWING TO AN IMMUTABLE DIFFERENCE, BE IT RELIGIOUS ORIENTATION,
17 ETHNICITY, NATIONALITY, GENDER. WE OUGHT TO DECLARE OURSELVES
18 UNALTERABLY AGAINST THE PERPETRATION OF VIOLENCE. AND THAT'S
19 PRECISELY WHAT THIS COMES DOWN TO. SO THE MYTH ONLY
20 PERPETUATES VIOLENCE AGAINST SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS. AND LET ME
21 JUST SIMPLY SAY YOU CAN TARGET SOMEONE WHO YOU MAY THINK TO BE
22 TRANS OR NONCONFORMING ONLY TO FIND THAT YOU HAVE
23 MISCALCULATED. AND THE POINT TO BE MADE IS THAT IN THE FIRST
24 INSTANCE, YOU SHOULD RESIST THE IMPULSES TO STEREOTYPE PEOPLE
25 AND SUBJECT THEM TO FORMS OF VIOLENCE. MADAME CHAIR.



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, DID YOU WANT TO --

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I JUST WANTED TO ADD. OBVIOUSLY LOTS HAS BEEN
5 SAID. I JUST WANT TO THANK MY FRIENDS FROM LONG BEACH FOR THE
6 KIND WORDS. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, I THANK YOU FOR EDUCATING
7 ME. THANK YOU.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, THIS HAS BEEN KIND OF A SOLEMN
10 MOMENT I THINK FOR SOME OF US HERE IN THE COUNTY. BUT THIS
11 ISN'T THE FIRST TIME THAT THIS BOARD HAS TAKEN ACTION AGAINST
12 DISCRIMINATION AND HATE. WE ALSO STOOD UP AGAINST THE RHETORIC
13 REGARDING MUSLIMS. WE STOOD UP ON MANY OCCASIONS TO DEFEND THE
14 RIGHTS OF UNDOCUMENTED PEOPLE THROUGH OUR ACTIONS ON D.A.C.A.
15 AND D.A.P.A. WE ALSO STAND UP FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD THEIR
16 VIOLATIONS OF CIVIL RIGHTS AS WELL AS VOTING RIGHTS. AND TODAY
17 I THINK THIS IS JUST ANOTHER REMINDER THAT THERE'S SO MUCH
18 MORE WORK TO DO BEYOND JUST THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. BUT IT
19 IS SOMETHING THAT I DO BELIEVE HAS DRAWN OUR ATTENTION,
20 BECAUSE FOR ME IT'S ENLIGHTENING TO HEAR FROM OUR YOUNG
21 PEOPLE, THOSE THAT ARE IMPACTED BY PEOPLE'S MISUNDERSTANDING
22 OF THEIR GENDER, MAKEUP PREFERENCE, OR INDIFFERENCE. AND I
23 THINK THAT THIS IS SOMEHOW WEAVING ITS WAY INTO THE SERVICES
24 THAT WE PROVIDE OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN THAT WE SEE IN OUR
25 SERVICES, WHETHER IT'S IN OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM, IN THE



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1 PROBATION CAMPS, IN OUR SERVICES AT DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
2 HEALTH OR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. WE HAVE TO DO RIGHT.
3 AND THE SOONER WE CAN DO THAT, I THINK THE BETTER OFF THIS
4 COUNTY WILL BE. WE'LL BE ABLE TO ALSO SAVE A LOT OF MONEY,
5 BECAUSE WE WILL BE WORKING IN A PREVENTIVE MODE, HELPING TO
6 EDUCATE PEOPLE ABOUT THE HYSTERIA THAT HAS OVERTAKEN SOME
7 PARTS OF OUR SOCIETY. I DREAD HEARING THAT PEOPLE ARE SO
8 DISGUSTED BUT SCARED, FEARFUL FOR THEMSELVES. AND THAT IS A
9 REAL-LIFE FEELING. THAT IS A REAL EMOTION. AND WE OUGHT TO
10 TAKE HEART FOR THAT. MY ONLY PURPOSE FOR BRINGING THIS BEFORE
11 THE BOARD WAS BECAUSE WHEN I SEE DISCRIMINATION HAPPENING
12 AGAINST ANYBODY, AND I'VE BEEN A VICTIM OF DISCRIMINATION
13 MYSELF FOR DIFFERENT REASONS, BEING A WOMAN, BEING A LATINA,
14 OR EVEN BEING YOUNGER THAN OTHER PEOPLE IN A SETTING WHERE
15 TRADITIONALLY PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF ARE NOT ALWAYS INCLUDED, I
16 UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS. BUT THE VALUE IS IS THAT WE CAN ALL
17 STAND TOGETHER, BECAUSE IF ONE FALLS, ALL OF US FALL. AND
18 THAT'S REALLY WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO. WE'RE TRYING TO PROVIDE
19 SUPPORT. WE'RE ALSO TRYING TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP IN THE COUNTY
20 THAT SAYS WE WANT TO END DISCRIMINATION. AND WHEN WE HEAR
21 ABOUT IT, WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT IT SO WE CAN STAND UP AND
22 SPEAK OUT. I THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. I HOPE ALL WE'RE
23 DOING IS ALSO HELPING TO JOIN VOICES LIKE THOSE IN THE OBAMA
24 ADMINISTRATION AND EVEN OUR FAMOUS SINGERS, LIKE BRUCE
25 SPRINGSTEEN, WHO HAVE ALSO CALLED OUT AND SAID WE'RE NOT GOING



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1 TO DO BUSINESS IN PLACES THAT ARE HATEFUL. WE ALSO WANT TO
2 NOTE THOSE PARTICULAR COMPANIES THAT HAVE ALSO STOOD WITH US
3 ON THIS ISSUE, PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITIES THAT HAVE WEIGHED IN
4 LIKE GOOGLE, GOLDMAN SACHS, COCA-COLA, FACEBOOK, TWITTER,
5 WELLS FARGO, AMERICAN AIRLINES, PAYPAL, APPLE, AND DOW
6 CHEMICAL. TELL ME THAT THEY'RE NOT PART OF THE AMERICAN
7 FABRIC. PEOPLE ARE WAKING UP, AND THEY UNDERSTAND. AND THIS
8 COUNTY IS ALSO TAKING THAT UPON THEMSELVES, AS WELL, BY
9 LOOKING AT WHO IS TRAVELING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY THERE,
10 WHAT KINDS OF RELATIONS ARE WE HAVING WITH A STATE THAT IS NOT
11 ON THE RIGHT TRACK ABOUT SO MANY THINGS. SO TODAY I'M PROUD.
12 EVEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION
13 AUTHORITY, WHOM I READ AND WAS SO PLEASED THAT OUR CHAIRMAN
14 TOOK THIS ACTION, THAT'S REALLY WHAT DROVE ME. I SAID, YOU
15 KNOW, HERE'S OUR COLLEAGUE, MR. PHIL WASHINGTON FROM DENVER,
16 AND HE'S SPEAKING OUT REPRESENTING A BIG ORGANIZATION THAT HAS
17 A LOT OF POWER, POTENTIAL, BUT HE ALSO HAS THE WHEREWITHAL AND
18 KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT IT MEANS TO TREAT PEOPLE FAIRLY. SO I HAVE
19 TO STAND UP FOR HIM AND STAND UP WITH HIM AND WITH YOU. AND I
20 KNOW THIS BOARD WILL DO THE RIGHT THING. SO WITH THAT, I JUST
21 WANT TO END AND SAY THANK YOU TO THOSE THAT CAME FORWARD. I'M
22 REALLY PROUD OF OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, OF ALL OF YOU THAT
23 CAME FORWARD REPRESENTING ALL THE PARTS OF OUR COUNTY AND
24 FULLY REALIZE THAT WE'RE HERE TO BE HELPFUL TO LEND AN EAR AND



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1 SUPPORT TO YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, WE'LL CONCLUDE
2 THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
5 ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEM NO. 3, 11, 13, WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
6 RECORDED AS A NO, 20, 21, 24, 28, 29, WITH SUPERVISOR
7 ANTONOVICH RECORDED AS A NO, AND 39-C.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION WITH THE NOTATION THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
11 IS VOTING NO ON THOSE ITEMS AS STATED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH
12 WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING HERE TODAY.

13

14 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
15 BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE
16 SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO
17 YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND
18 NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? ON PUBLIC HEARING NO.
19 1, THIS IS A HEARING ON THE ANNEXATION OF VARIOUS TENTATIVE
20 SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES IN DISTRICTS 1 AND 4 TO COUNTY
21 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
22 DISTRICT L.L.A.-1. THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. NO
23 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED, BUT THERE IS PUBLIC COMMENT.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD AND HEAR FROM OUR DEPARTMENT.

2 YES, WE HAVE HIS MIC ON, PLEASE?

3

4 **SAM ADLADI:** MY NAME IS SAM ADLADI, AND I'M THE UNIT HEAD OF

5 STREET LIGHTING SECTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

6 I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR ANNEXATION TO COUNTY

7 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING

8 DISTRICT L.L.A.-1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE, AND DELIVERING AND

9 COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENT FOR THE AREAS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD

10 LETTER. IN MY OPINION, THE PROPOSED AREAS WOULD BE BENEFITED

11 BY THE ANNEXATION, AND THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE

12 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO

13 BENEFITS. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE

14 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUE FOR THE NONEXEMPT

15 TAXING AGENCIES. THANK YOU.

16

17 **COUNSEL:** MADAME CHAIR, AT THIS POINT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE

18 TO TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF

19 PROPOSITION 218.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER, ARNOLD SACHS.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, AGAIN. ARNOLD

24 SACHS. AND I'M CONCERNED SOMEWHAT ABOUT THIS, BASED ON SOME

25 PREVIOUS ACTION OR MOTIONS BY THE SUPERVISORS, THIS PHRASE OF



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1 THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND FROM THIS MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH PUT IN FROM JANUARY 19, 2016. THIS, AND HE WAS
3 TALKING ABOUT THE HIDDEN CREEKS PROJECT. THE AREA IS COUNTY
4 UNINCORPORATED AND WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES'S SPHERE OF
5 INFLUENCE. AND SO YOU'RE DEALING HERE WITH UNINCORPORATED
6 AREAS. I'M WONDERING, BASED ON THIS MOTION, THE LEGALITY OF
7 WHAT A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE IS. LOS ANGELES'S SPHERE OF
8 INFLUENCE PLAYED A BIG PART IN THE BUILDINGS GOING ON IN
9 PORTER RANCH. SO I'M WONDERING, CITIES NEAR THIS AREA, DO THEY
10 ALSO HAVE A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE THAT WOULD, I DON'T KNOW,
11 INTERFERE WITH THIS LIGHTING? AND JUST LAST MONTH, THE CITY
12 ALSO DID A LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR PORTER RANCH. THAT WAS
13 UNINCORPORATED AREA. NO, WAIT, THAT WAS THE CITY, I'M SORRY.
14 SO MY CONCERNS HERE ARE THE LEGALITY OF THE PHRASE "SPHERE OF
15 INFLUENCE," IF YOU COULD EXPLAIN THAT, AND HOW, WHEN THESE
16 AREAS START OUT UNINCORPORATED, THEY BECOME PART OF THE CITY
17 AND/OR CITIES, HOW THAT SYSTEM WORKS, HOW THAT PLAYS OUT FOR
18 PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND NEXT THING YOU
19 KNOW IT'S INCORPORATED BY A CITY BECAUSE OF ITS SPHERE OF
20 INFLUENCE. SOUNDS OMINOUS.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM.

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24 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, IT WOULD BE
25 APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, DIRECT



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1 THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS, AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN
2 THE MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.
3 THIS MATTER IS BEFORE YOU.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
6 KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. COUNSEL?

7

8 **COUNSEL:** YOU NEED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO MOVED.

11

12 **COUNSEL:** AND THEN THE VOTES WILL BE TABULATED.

13

14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, OKAY.

15

16 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS A HEARING ON
17 PROPOSED STREET NAME CHANGE NO. 764-5 TO CHANGE THE NAME TO
18 RALPHS RANCH ROAD ON THE SEGMENT OF NORTH PEACE VALLEY ROAD
19 BEGINNING AT ITS JUNCTURE WITH ORWIN WAY TO FRAZIER MOUNTAIN
20 PARK ROAD. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO
21 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

22

23 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC COMMENT. OKAY. WE HAVE
24 ARNOLD SACHS AGAIN ON THIS ITEM.

25



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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN, REALLY QUICK. ARNOLD
2 SACHS. JUST DOING MY DUE DILIGENCE AND NOTIFYING YOU THAT
3 YOU'RE MISSING 1/100TH OF A MILE HERE. THE DISTANCE IS 9.47
4 MILES. THE COUNTY HAS JURISDICTION OF 6.38. THE STATE HAS
5 RESPONSIBILITY FOR 2.84, WHICH IS 9.912. AND YOU ADD .24 TO
6 THAT, YOU GET 9.46 MILES. AND SINCE I KNOW HOW DUE DILIGENT
7 YOU ARE IN MAKING SURE ALL YOUR I'S ARE DOTTED AND YOUR T'S
8 ARE CROSSED AND THE AMOUNT OF WORK THAT YOU WENT IN OVER THIS
9 AND YOU JUST DID AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA, I THINK IT WAS FOR A
10 TENTH OF A MILE A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, YOU'RE MISSING A 100TH OF
11 A MILE HERE. SO, I KNOW THE COUNTY MATH. STAY ON YOUR TOES. WE
12 READ THE AGENDA.

13

14 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S THE NEXT ROADWAY.

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE NEXT ROADWAY? OH, OKAY, THANK YOU, SIR. IS
17 THERE ANY GAS ON THAT ROADWAY? DO I HAVE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT
18 THAT?

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AT THIS TIME, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES
21 THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED, AND THE ITEM IS MOVED.
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION. WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 4. WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER
23 4, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? ITEM NUMBER 4.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD
2 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THIS ITEM UP. IT'S IMPORTANT TO
3 US, MY COAUTHOR ON THIS SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WE SIGNALLED THAT HAD
4 WE WOULD BRING THIS MOTION FORWARD LAST WEEK. AS YOU ALREADY
5 KNOW AND SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR TO EVERYONE THAT CIVIL SERVICE
6 COMMISSION IS MADE UP OF PRIVATE CITIZENS APPOINTED TO ENSURE
7 THAT DISCIPLINARY MATTERS AND ALLEGATIONS REGARDING
8 DISCRIMINATION AND THE LIKE ARE HANDLED FAIRLY. THE
9 COMMISSION'S ACTIONS HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE
10 LIVELIHOOD OF INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES AND PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN
11 THE ABILITY TO HOLD EMPLOYEES AND DEPARTMENT MANAGEMENT
12 ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS, BOTH MANAGERS AND EMPLOYEES.
13 INDIVIDUALS SERVING AS HEARING OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENT
14 ADVOCATES ALSO PLAY CRITICAL ROLES IN THE PROCESS. ALL OF THIS
15 MUST/SHOULD/HAS BEEN TAKEN SERIOUSLY. HEARING OFFICERS ARE THE
16 FIRST TO CONSIDER THE EVIDENCE AND SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS TO
17 COMMISSIONERS. DEPARTMENT ADVOCATES REPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT
18 AND ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVING THE DEPARTMENT'S CASE. THE
19 COMMISSIONERS, THE HEARING OFFICERS, AND THE DEPARTMENT
20 ADVOCATES SHOULD ALL HAVE APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF KNOWLEDGE AND
21 EXPERTISE IN ORDER TO BE EFFECTIVE. AND EFFECTIVENESS HERE
22 MEANS FAIRNESS. IT LEADS TO A FAIR OR JUST RESULT. ABSENT
23 THAT, SOMETHING IS GOING TO BE COMPROMISED. AS WE CHART THIS
24 PATH TOWARD MEANINGFUL REFORM, AND I DO BELIEVE THAT REFORM IS
25 WARRANTED. IT'S IMPORTANT TO BEGIN WITH REVIEW OF APPOINTMENT



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1 AND SELECTION STANDARDS, QUALIFICATION, AND TRAINING
2 RESPONSIBILITIES. WE MUST ALSO CONSIDER WHETHER THERE IS VALUE
3 IN HEARING THE HEARING OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENT ADVOCATES
4 HANDLE CASES BASED ON THEIR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE SUCH AS
5 LAW ENFORCEMENT, CHILD WELFARE AND/OR EVEN MEDICAL CARE. THERE
6 IS A SPECIALIZATION COMPONENT OF THIS THAT WE JUST SIMPLY HAVE
7 TO RECOGNIZE, SPEAKS TO THE NUANCES OF THESE VARIOUS AREAS OF
8 CONCERN IN ORDER, AGAIN, TO COME FORTH WITH A FAIR AND/OR JUST
9 RESULT. ABSENT THIS LEVEL OF ATTENTION AND EXPERTISE, I THINK
10 WE ARE NOT DOING THE BEST THAT WE CAN. SO RE-EVALUATING THESE
11 FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTS IS KEY IN ORDER TO MAKE BROADER, MORE
12 MEANINGFUL IMPROVEMENTS IN OVERALL POLICY, NOT ONLY OVERALL
13 POLICY, THE FISCAL ASPECTS OF IT AND THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE
14 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, AS WELL. SO, COLLEAGUES, LET ME
15 SIMPLY OFFER THAT FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND URGE YOUR
16 UNANIMOUS SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. MADAME CHAIR?

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL IS RECOGNIZED.

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I SIMPLY WANT TO
21 ADD THAT IN MANY CASES, PEOPLE HAVE BEEN VERY CRITICAL OF THE
22 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. BUT IT'S INTERESTING THAT THE DATA
23 SHOWS THAT IN A PREPONDERANCE OF THE CASES, THE COMMISSION HAS
24 UPHELD DEPARTMENTS IN TERMS OF DISCIPLINE OF OUR EMPLOYEES,
25 BUT THE STORIES THAT MAKE THE NEWS ARE ALWAYS, OF COURSE, WHEN



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1 THEY DON'T. AND SO WE BEGAN TRYING TO LOOK AT, WELL, WHAT WAS
2 THE DIFFERENCE IN SOME OF THESE CASES? WHAT DO WE NEED TO LOOK
3 AT? AND IN ADDITION TO WHAT MY COLLEAGUE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
4 INDICATED ABOUT WANTING TO REALLY LOOK CLOSELY AT THE
5 QUALIFICATIONS OF HEARING OFFICERS, OF HOW WE DECIDE THAT THE
6 DEPARTMENTS ARE GOING TO CHOOSE THEIR ADVOCATES, THERE'S ALSO
7 THE ISSUE OF PROCESS. AND I THINK AN ADDITIONAL ASPECT THAT
8 WE'RE LOOKING AT, BECAUSE THIS IS A QUASI JUDICIAL HEARING,
9 AND THERE ARE VERY STRICT RULES ABOUT HOW APPEALS MUST BE
10 TAKEN, WE WANT TO LOOK AT WHETHER IN ANY WAY THE PROCESS
11 ITSELF HAMSTRINGS OUR COMMISSIONERS FROM REVIEWING THE
12 DECISIONS OF THE HEARING OFFICERS, BECAUSE WE FOUND THAT IN
13 SOME INSTANCES, THAT MIGHT BE THE CASE. SO THIS MOTION
14 ATTEMPTS TO DO ALL OF IT, REALLY LOOK AT HEARING OFFICERS,
15 DEPARTMENT ADVOCATES, THE PROCESS, ASKING THE CONSULTANT TO
16 REALLY LOOK AT THE OVERALL WAY THAT THESE APPEALS GO FORWARD.
17 SO I APPRECIATE OUR COLLEAGUE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS BRINGING
18 THIS, AND I'M HAPPY TO COAUTHOR.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

21

22 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO COMMENT THAT
23 THIS IS A VERY GOOD MOTION. THIS IS A STEP FORWARD IN
24 INFORMATION THAT WILL BE USEFUL. I KNOW MY APPOINTEE WHO IS



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1 THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION FULLY SUPPORTS THIS MOTION. I
2 MAY HAVE TALKED TO YOU, AS WELL. BUT I SUPPORT THE MOTION.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD THAT THE THIS HAS
5 BEEN GREAT CONCERN TO ALL OF US, AND I'M GLAD THAT WE'RE
6 MOVING FORWARD ON IT. AND I KNOW IN SPEAKING TO MY
7 COMMISSIONER, THE WHOLE ESSENCE SEEMS TO BE AROUND PROCESS AND
8 TRADITION AND PERHAPS LOOKING AT HOW WE RE-EVALUATE THAT. SO I
9 THINK THIS IS A GOOD TIME FOR US, AND I APPLAUD THE AUTHOR AND
10 THE CO-AUTHOR AND LOOK FORWARD TO REPORT BACK, KNOWING THAT IN
11 OUR VISION, IN LOOKING AT WHERE WE GO, IT'S ULTIMATELY TO
12 PROTECT CHILDREN ON THE ONE HAND AND PROTECTING OUR EMPLOYEES
13 AND PROTECTING THE COUNTY AND THE INTEGRITY OF THE PUBLIC. SO
14 WITH ALL THOSE THREE ELEMENTS, I THINK WE'RE ON THE RIGHT
15 TRACK. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS, SUPERVISOR KNABE? NO?
16 NONE? OKAY. WE DO HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS. DOCTOR
17 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ARNOLD SACHS, AND ERIC PREVEN.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN. I'LL MOVE QUICKLY.
20 WE CAN GET TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. AS I SAID A LITTLE BIT EARLIER
21 IN MY OTHER REMARKS, THE IDEA OF A CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IS
22 A LONGTIME IDEA AND IT'S BEEN -- IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THE
23 EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLAYS A BIG ROLE IN APPOINTING PEOPLE TO
24 THAT COMMISSION. I COULD BE WRONG ABOUT THAT, HISTORICALLY SO.
25 A LOT OF THESE CHARACTERS ARE NOT FROM MS. GLASGOW, WHO IS



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1 FAIRLY NEW, BUT FROM MS. HAMAI, WHO WAS INSTALLED DURING THE
2 PERIOD WHEN A LOT OF THESE CHARACTERS WERE PUT IN PLACE.
3 SUPERVISOR KUEHL SEEMS VERY HAPPY WITH THE NUMBERS, THAT A
4 HIGH PERCENTAGE OF THE CASES ARE ADJUDICATED TO THE
5 SATISFACTION OF SOMEONE, AND THAT MUST BE OF NOTE. BUT THE
6 PUBLIC'S POINT OF VIEW, I THINK, JUST HAVING STUDIED IT
7 REMOTELY, BECAUSE I'M OBVIOUSLY NOT A COUNTY EMPLOYEE, ARE
8 THAT THERE'S BEEN AN ENORMOUS BACKLOG, ASTONISHING AND
9 DIZZYING AND APPALLING BACKLOG THAT STUMBLES AROUND LIKE A
10 GIANT MORASS OF INEFFECTIVENESS. AND THEN THE HEARINGS TAKE A
11 VERY LONG TIME TO ADJUDICATE. THERE'S SOMETHING ALSO CALLED
12 THE AUDIT. THE COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS A REPORT THAT HE
13 DOES ABOUT WRONGDOING AND VARIOUS OTHER KINDS OF LITTLE CRIMES
14 THAT ARE SEPARATELY ADJUDICATED. I DON'T THINK THAT THOSE ARE
15 CIVIL -- SO OBVIOUSLY AN IMPROVEMENT, A LOOK AT THE
16 INFORMATION, AS MAYOR ANTONOVICH SUGGESTED, WOULD BE HELPFUL
17 IS GOING TO BE HELPFUL TO FOLKS. BUT ONCE AGAIN, JUST TO LAND
18 ON THE POINT, THE COUNTY COUNSEL IS A GROUP THAT HAVE A LOT OF
19 KIND OF AUTHORITY TO HELP THE DEPARTMENTS WITH THEIR VARIOUS
20 BUSINESS. THEY SHOULD NOT BE PROVIDING AN IN-HOUSE CLEANSING
21 SERVICE FOR THIS KIND OF WORK. THIS SHOULD NOT BE AN IN-HOUSE
22 COUNTY COUNSEL OPERATION, IN MY OPINION. THERE SHOULD BE
23 INDEPENDENT INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SELECTED THROUGH CRITERIA THAT
24 ARE -- I THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE
25 SKILLED, NOT JUST CONNECTED. AND I THINK THAT THESE THINGS



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1 SHOULD BE DEALT WITH AND THE RULES OUGHT TO BE REWRITTEN, AS
2 WELL, FRANKLY. I KNOW THAT INVOLVES LABOR, BUT IT'S JUST IT'S
3 AN ENDLESS CYCLE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, DOCTOR.

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
8 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. MANY YEARS AGO, I WAS INVOLVED AND
9 ATTENDED A FEW OF THOSE HEARINGS. AN EMPLOYEE HAD FILED A
10 LAWSUIT AGAINST THE COUNTY. AND IT WAS VERY OBVIOUS THAT MANY
11 OF THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING ON THAT COMMISSION WERE NOT
12 PREPARED TO HANDLE COMPLEX CASES, ESPECIALLY HAVING TO DO WITH
13 SOMEBODY IN A VERY HIGH POSITION WHO HAD BEEN MOVED Laterally.
14 AND PERSONALLY, I SAW THAT ISSUE VERY CONCERNING, THAT MANY OF
15 THE PEOPLE WHO HAD BEEN ASKED TO TESTIFY BY THE EMPLOYEE
16 REFUSED TO COME AND WERE NOT FORCED TO COME AND TESTIFY. AND I
17 THINK IT SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO DO THAT, OTHERWISE, IT HAS NO
18 MEANING. IF ANYBODY WILL WORK, ESPECIALLY SUPERVISORS, NOT
19 SUPERVISOR IN YOUR CASE BUT SUPERVISOR IN A JOB LADDER, REFUSE
20 TO TESTIFY WHEN THEY ARE REQUESTED TO TESTIFY, THAT PROCESS
21 HAS NO VALIDITY. AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT HAPPENED ON MANY
22 OCCASIONS. AND IN THAT SPECIFIC CASE, NOT ONLY HAS THE
23 EMPLOYEE LOST THEIR CASE, BUT THE COUNTY ARE THE ATTORNEY WHO
24 HAD DEFENDED HER. CONCERNING.

25



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, ARNOLD.

2

3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. I'M READING FROM
4 YOUR AGENDA HERE, FIRST PARAGRAPH, REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT OF
5 QUALIFICATIONS FOR COMMISSION HEARING OFFICERS. THEN AT THE
6 END OF THAT SAME PARAGRAPH, IT MENTIONS RECOMMENDS SOLUTIONS
7 TO IMPROVE THE OVERALL COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. AND IN
8 THE SECOND PARAGRAPH OF THIS ITEM, IT MENTIONS SOMETHING TO
9 THE EFFECT TRAINING OF THE HEARING OFFICERS AND SUBJECT MATTER
10 FOR EXPERT HEARING OFFICERS. SO I'M TRYING TO GET A HANDLE ON
11 THIS, BECAUSE YOU WANT TO IN ESSENCE APPOINT THE COMMISSION
12 HEARING OFFICERS, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THAT'S THE
13 COMMISSION YOU APPOINT COMMISSIONERS TO. BUT YOU ALSO APPOINT
14 THE DEPARTMENT HEADS. AND THE DEPARTMENT HEADS WOULD BRING
15 ACTION, ESSENTIALLY, AGAINST EMPLOYEES TO THE COMMISSION
16 HEARING OFFICERS THAT YOU'VE APPOINTED. DO YOU SEE A WHIRLPOOL
17 EFFECT HERE WHERE EVERYTHING IS JUST GOING DOWN THE DRAIN? YOU
18 ARE APPOINTING THE OFFICIALS TO HEAR THE HEARINGS, AND YOU'RE
19 APPOINTING THE COMMITTEE, THE DEPARTMENT HEADS FOR OVERSIGHT
20 TO MAINTAIN SOME KIND OF ORDER IN THEIR DEPARTMENT. I MEAN,
21 YOU JUST HAD TODAY A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE D.C.F.S., AND YOU
22 MENTION THAT THE COMMITTEE, THAT THE PROGRAM THAT THEY WERE
23 ENFORCING IS IN EFFECT SINCE 2004. SO THIS RAPID RESPONSE
24 TEAM. SO HOW DO YOU END UP GETTING PEOPLE IN D.C.F.S. FACING
25 FELONY CHARGES FROM THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR FOR SOMETHING THAT



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1 HAPPENED IN RAPID RESPONSE. DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. WHAT MAKES
2 SENSE IS OVERSIGHT OF WHO APPOINTS THESE OFFICIALS OR EVEN
3 HAVING THEM ELECTED SO THE PUBLIC HAS A VOICE IN THIS, BECAUSE
4 YOU ALWAYS GET THE BILL. THEY JUST NEVER HAVE A VOICE.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. ARE THERE
7 ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? HEARING NONE, IT'S MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY KUEHL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL
9 BE THE ORDER. WE HAVE ITEM 23 HELD BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
10 THOMAS.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, MAY I JUST
13 OFFER THIS AMENDING MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION? IT'S ADDRESSING
14 THE STAFFING NEEDS IN HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT. AS WE ALL
15 KNOW, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HAS RELIED ON
16 TEMPORARY HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL SERVICES
17 REGISTRIES FOR MANY YEARS TO ADDRESS CRITICAL STAFFING
18 SHORTAGES IN MEDICAL RECORDS, CODING SERVICES, PEAK WORKLOADS,
19 UNEXPECTED EMERGENCIES, AND VACATION COVERAGE AT D.H.S.
20 FACILITIES FOR THE TRANSITION TO MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE UNDER
21 THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE NEW SECTION, SPECIFICALLY 1115
22 WAIVER PAYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM WORTH HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF
23 DOLLARS PER YEAR AND OUR POTENTIAL REVENUE TO D.H.S., MORE
24 DETAILED CODING OF INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SERVICES TO
25 DEMONSTRATE PERFORMANCE AND JUSTIFY CAPITATION RATES IS VITAL



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1 TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT DEPARTMENT. I WANT
2 TO THEN SUGGEST TO YOU, PRESENTLY TEMPORARY HEALTH INFORMATION
3 PERSONNEL SERVICE CONTRACTS ACCOUNT FOR ALMOST 40 PERCENT OF
4 OUTPATIENT CODING AND 61 PERCENT OF IN-PERSON CODING WORK. THE
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD BE KEPT INFORMED AS TO THE
6 PROGRESS BEING MADE TO REDUCE THE USE OF REGISTRY WORKFORCE,
7 ADDRESS THE H.I.M. VACANCIES, AND CLEAR THE BACKLOG AT THE
8 HARBOR U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER AND OTHER D.H.S. FACILITIES.
9 LET ME THEN MOVE TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT, DIRECTOR OF THE
10 DEPARTMENT TO REPORT BACK QUARTERLY IN WRITTEN FORM TO THIS
11 BOARD, WITH THE FIRST REPORT BEING DUE JUNE 30TH ON PROGRESS
12 BEING MADE TO REDUCE THE USE OF TEMPORARY HEALTH INFORMATION
13 MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL SERVICES REGISTRIES, FILL THE 56
14 MANAGEMENT DIVISION ITEMS, AND REDUCE CODING BACKLOGS AT
15 D.H.S. FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BEFORE
16 US AS IT RELATES TO ITEM NO. 23. MADAME CHAIR?

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD ALSO THAT THIS IS
21 THE FIRST TIME I'M SEEING THIS, BUT THERE IS ONE ASPECT THAT I
22 HAD SOME CONCERN ABOUT WITH THE TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF
23 INDIVIDUALS. THAT'S HAS BEEN AN ONGOING QUESTION WE'VE HAD
24 WITH A LOT OF OUR AGENCIES. AND I BELIEVE THAT IN SPEAKING
25 WITH DR. KATZ THAT HE UNDERSTANDS THE URGENCY HERE TO MOVE



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1 FORWARD SO THAT THESE ARE NOT TEMPORARY POSITIONS AND THAT WE
2 DO HIRE UP PEOPLE. SO I'M GLAD TO SUPPORT THIS PARTICULAR
3 AMENDMENT. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, ON THE 56 POSITIONS, THAT'S AN ACTION ITEM,
6 RIGHT? HAS THAT NORMALLY BEEN FILLED WITH -- THROUGH THE
7 TEMPORARY FOLKS? ARE YOU ADVOCATING, THEN, WE JUST IMMEDIATELY
8 FILL 56 WITH COUNTY EMPLOYEES? IS THAT WHAT THE WAY THIS
9 MOTION READS?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH. AND DR. NESHKIN ADDRESSED THAT.

12

13 **ANISH MAHAJAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANISH
14 MAHAJAN, AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF SYSTEM PLANNING IMPROVEMENT
15 AND DATA ANALYTICS AT D.H.S. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE
16 FOR HIS QUESTION AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR THE MOTION.
17 IN HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT DIVISION, THAT IS OUR CODERS
18 AND OUR STAFF THAT MANAGE THE MEDICAL RECORD, WE HAVE BEEN
19 CHALLENGED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS IN RECRUITING AND RETAINING
20 CODERS TO DO THE VERY IMPORTANT WORK OF CODING THE MEDICAL
21 RECORD. AND THE CHALLENGE REALLY RELATED TO THE PAY RATE FOR
22 THE CODING ITEM SERIES IN THE DEPARTMENT. AND WE WERE VERY
23 FORTUNATE AND GRATEFUL TO THE BOARD AND TO OUR LABOR PARTNERS
24 FOR THE LAST ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WHERE THERE IS NOW A
25 SCHEDULED INCREASE IN THE PAY RATE TO MAKE THE SALARIES FOR



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1 OUR CODERS COMPETITIVE IN THE INDUSTRY AT LARGE. AND SO WE ARE
2 NOW SEEING IN THE H.I.M. DEPARTMENT THE AND ABILITY ATTRACT
3 GOOD CANDIDATES AS WELL AS THE ABILITY NOW TO RETAIN CODERS
4 THAT ARE FANTASTIC PERMANENT EMPLOYEES OF OURS IN THE COUNTY
5 SERVICE. AND OUR GOAL, WORKING WITH THE PLAN PARTNERS, WORKING
6 WITH HUMAN RESOURCES AND EVERYONE HERE IS TO FULLY STAFF UP ON
7 OUR VACANT POSITIONS WITH PERMANENT CODER EMPLOYEES AND REALLY
8 REDUCE OUR RELIANCE ON CONTRACTS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, ARE THESE 56 PERMANENT POSITIONS IN THE
11 BUDGET?

12

13 **ANISH MAHAJAN:** THEY ARE THEY ARE IN THE BUDGET. THEY ARE
14 BUDGETED PERMANENT POSITIONS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WHAT DO WE SEEK DO IS JUST TO HAVE
17 THEM FILLED.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, WE HAVE SOME SPEAKERS ON THIS
20 ITEM IF THERE ARE NO OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD. WE HAVE
21 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WE HAVE SYLVIA LUMFORD AND ARNOLD
22 SACHS.

23

24 **SYLVIA LUMFORD:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SYLVIA LUMFORD, AND
25 I'M A HEALTH INFORMATION ASSOCIATE WITHIN D.H.S. I WORK



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1 ALONGSIDE APPROXIMATELY 250 HEALTH INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS
2 THAT ARE COUNTY EMPLOYEES. SUPERVISORS, L.A. COUNTY HAS BECOME
3 DEPENDENT ON REGISTRY CODERS WHO WORK ALONGSIDE OUR MEMBERS.
4 AND WHILE CONTRACTS SUCH AS THESE ARE INTENDED TO FILL SHORT-
5 TERM GAPS IN COVERAGE, SOME CONTRACT STAFF HAVE BEEN GAINFULLY
6 EMPLOYED FOR OVER 10 YEARS. AS OF AUGUST 2015, 38 PERCENT OF
7 OUR CODING WORKFORCE WITHIN THE NORTHEAST CLUSTER, L.A.C., AND
8 ITS AFFILIATES, WAS COMPRISED OF REGISTRY STAFF. THE HIGH
9 DEPENDENCE ON REGISTRY IS NEITHER COST-EFFECTIVE, HELPFUL FOR
10 MORALE, OR IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE HEALTH INFORMATION
11 DEPARTMENT. H.I.M. IS A REVENUE-GENERATING DEPARTMENT, AND
12 THEREFORE S.E.I.U. 721 HAS A VESTED INTEREST IN PARTNERING
13 WITH D.H.S. MANAGEMENT TO DEVELOP A PLAN OVER THE NEXT YEAR TO
14 INSURE THE SUCCESS OF THIS DEPARTMENT. I AM HERE TODAY ON
15 BEHALF OF MY UNION BROTHERS AND SISTERS TO ADVOCATE FOR YOUR
16 SUPPORT, FIRST, A COMMIT MANY TO DEVELOP A ONE-YEAR PLAN TO
17 REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS SPENT ON CONTRACT EMPLOYEES,
18 SECONDLY, TO SUPPORT AND ELIMINATE OBSTACLES AND FAST-TRACK
19 THE HIRING PROCESS OF THE 55 VACANT F.T.E.-SPECIFIC
20 CLASSIFICATIONS AS NEEDED, THREE, ALLOCATING A TRAINING BUDGET
21 FOR THE DEPARTMENT THAT WILL DEVELOP THE SKILLS FOR THE
22 CURRENT AND FUTURE CODERS, FOUR, FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL ITEMS
23 FOR THIS DEPARTMENT. AS 2017 APPROACHES, D.H.S. REVENUE WILL
24 HINGE UPON CAPTURING ALL DIAGNOSIS PROCEDURES, EXAMINATIONS,
25 PHYSICIAN PROFESSIONAL FEES, ET CETERA. ITEMIZED BILLING WILL



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1 ELIMINATE OUR SAFETY NET OF THE CURRENT WAIVER THAT IS USED
2 FOR BILLING. THE QUALITY OF OUR PATIENT CARE HINGES UPON THIS.
3 WE NEED YOUR HELP IN FULLY STAFFING OUR D.H.S. DEPARTMENT.
4 THANK YOU.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AND
9 IT'S FASCINATING, UNFILLED, FUNDED POSITIONS, AND WE JUST
10 HEARD, I BELIEVE, TWO WEEKS AGO A PREAMBLE TO THE COUNTY
11 BUDGET THAT YOU'VE INCREASED THE NUMBER OF WORKERS FOR THE
12 COUNTY UP TO 108,000 WORKERS IN THE COUNTY. I BELIEVE THE LAST
13 BUDGET WAS 103,000. SO THAT'S 5,000 WORKER INCREASE, BUT WE
14 DON'T REALLY KNOW EVEN OF THE 108, OR WHATEVER IT IS OF 103,
15 HOW MANY OF THOSE POSITIONS ARE UNFILLED, FUNDED POSITIONS. AS
16 A MATTER OF FACT, THE LAST TWO WEEKS AGO YOU HAD ALL THOSE
17 PEOPLE FROM D.C.F.S. COME AND SPEAK TO YOU AND SAY, YOU KNOW,
18 YOU'RE PRESSING CHARGES, BUT WE HAVE OUTRAGEOUS WORKLOADS,
19 BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PERSONNEL. AND THAT DOESN'T SEEM
20 TO GET THE INFORMATION. THAT DOESN'T MAKE THE HEADLINES, THE
21 FACT THAT YOU HAVE THESE UNFILLED, FUNDED POSITIONS AS READILY
22 AS IT SHOULD, BECAUSE WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT MONEY? WE NEVER GET
23 AN ANSWER FOR THAT. AGAIN, IT'S A BILL THE PUBLIC ALWAYS PAYS,
24 BUT YOU NEED TO TAKE PART OF THAT. YOU NEED TO TAKE OWNERSHIP
25 OF THAT BILL. YOU NEED TO TAKE SOME RESPONSIBILITY FOR HAVING



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1 ALL THESE UNFILLED, FUNDED POSITIONS AND ALL THE CALAMITIES
2 THAT OCCUR BECAUSE OF THE SHORTAGES BECAUSE OF THE UNFILLED
3 FUNDED POSITIONS. THE YOUNG LADY MENTIONED A TRAINING PROJECT.
4 SO, DO THESE RESOURCE, THESE CENTERS THAT PROVIDE THESE
5 UNSKILLED WORKERS, DO THEY HAVE TRAINING PROJECTS FOR THESE
6 PROGRAMS? OR IS THIS SOMETHING THAT GOES THROUGH L.A. TRADE
7 TECH, MAYBE, THAT YOU GET WORKERS FROM L.A. TRADE TECH AND
8 UNIVERSITIES TO DO CODING? I'M SURE THEY DO. BUT WHY THE
9 UNFILLED FUNDED POSITIONS? AND HOW MUCH MONEY DOES IT INVOLVE?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IF I MAY, IT'S PROBABLY A DISSERVICE NOT
16 TO CORRECT THE RECORD WHEN IT'S BEING ASSERTED THAT THE
17 TAXPAYERS ARE FOOTING THE BILL FOR UNFILLED POSITIONS AS IF TO
18 SUGGEST THAT ALTHOUGH THEY ARE UNFILLED, THEY ARE STILL BEING
19 PAID FOR. PERHAPS THE C.E.O. CAN CORRECT THAT IMPRESSION AND
20 GIVE A QUICK INSIGHT AS TO HOW THE BUDGET PROCESS WORKS FOR
21 UNFILLED VACANCIES.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** IN TERMS OF THE DEPARTMENTS FILLING THOSE
24 UNFILLED VACANCIES, OR IN DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS?

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IN THE BUDGET PROCESS, IF THEY ARE
2 UNFILLED, THEY ARE NOT PAID FOR BY TAXPAYERS, AS WAS ASSERTED.
3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** WELL, DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS, IF THERE
5 IS AN UNFILLED VACANT POSITION AND IT'S ALREADY BUDGETED TO
6 THE DEPARTMENT, IT IS INCLUDED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. SO
7 THAT GOES TO OUR TOTAL BOTTOM LINE. IT IS INCLUDED. THE ONLY
8 TIME THAT IT WOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IS IF WE HAVE ORDINANCE
9 POSITIONS THAT WE ARE FILLING AND THERE IS NO BUDGET BEHIND
10 IT.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT IF IT'S NOT FILLED?

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** WE CONTINUE TO HOLD THAT VACANCY, AND THE
15 BUDGET WILL REMAIN, BECAUSE WE NEED TO HAVE THE BUDGET IN CASE
16 THEY DO FILL THE POSITION.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST NOT BEING EXPENDED.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO, IT'S ENCUMBERED IS WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.
21 IT'S SET ASIDE.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** WELL, THE MONEY IS THERE IN CASE SOMEBODY
24 SHOULD FILL THE POSITION, THEY CAN IMMEDIATELY PAY FOR IT.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND IN THE ENSUING BUDGET YEAR, ASSUMING
2 THAT IT WAS NOT FILLED, IT CYCLES BACK INTO --

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** CORRECT. IT WOULD NOT BE UTILIZED TO PAY
5 FOR THAT POSITION.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THAT BE CLARIFIED.
8 THANK YOU, MADAME C.E.O. MADAME CHAIR?

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE? DID YOU HAVE --

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** ON THESE PARTICULAR POSITIONS, SINCE YOU'RE
13 FILLING THEM, ARE WE DOING ANY OF THE TRAINING PROGRAMS?
14 VETERANS? W.I.B.S.?

15

16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE SHOULD.

17

18 **ANISH MAHAJAN:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR. IF YOU COULD REPEAT THE
19 QUESTION.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** AS IT RELATES TO THESE PARTICULAR POSITIONS THAT'S
22 BEING ADVOCATED TO FILL WITH PERMANENT POSITIONS, IS THAT
23 COMING OUT OF ANY OF THE W.I.B. PROGRAMS OR THE VETERANS
24 TRAINING PROGRAMS?

25



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1 **ANISH MAHAJAN:** THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION. I DON'T HAVE THE
2 ANSWER. LET ME GET BACK TO THE BOARD ON THAT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD ALSO JUST LIKE TO ADD, I THINK THE
7 THRUST OF THE AMENDMENT GOES IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, BUT I
8 WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD A CAVEAT, IF IN THE REPORT BACK WE
9 COULD ALSO INCLUDE L.A.C.+U.S.C. OLIVE VIEW, RANCHO, YOU
10 KNOW, ALL.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME JUST SAY IN THE MOTION, IT
13 SPECIFIES, I THINK, IN ONE INSTANCE HARBOR U.C.L.A. AND OTHER
14 D.H.S. FACILITIES. SO BE AS EXHAUSTIVE AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

15

16 **ANISH MAHAJAN:** WE WILL TAKE THAT GUIDANCE.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE CHAIR IS DELINEATING OLIVE VIEW,
19 RANCHO, L.A.C.+U.S.C., BUT ANY OTHER D.H.S. FACILITIES THAT
20 WOULD BE APPLICABLE SHOULD ALSO BE A PART OF THE REPORT BACK.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. OUR NEXT SPEAKER?

23

24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
25 CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, FOR MANY TIME I BROUGHT THAT ISSUE ABOUT



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1 CODING. I SAY FOR AT LEAST ALMOST TWO YEARS. I SAID, YOU KNOW,
2 WHAT IS BEING DONE FOR GETTING PEOPLE TRAINED FOR THAT? IT'S
3 NOT LIKE IT WAS A NEWS THAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY. AND EVERY TIME
4 I NEVER RECEIVE AN ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION. AND I'M SURE WE
5 HAVE LOST ALREADY A LOT OF MONEY, BECAUSE PEOPLE HAVE NOT BEEN
6 UTILIZING THE RIGHT CODING TO BILL. AND IT'S VERY COMPLEX
7 RIGHT NOW. IT WENT FROM FEW HUNDRED CODE TO THOUSANDS. SO WE
8 NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR THAT. ALSO, I DON'T HAVE THE LIST
9 HERE, BUT WHEN I DOWNLOADED THE ITEM, THE AMOUNT THEY WERE
10 GOING TO PAY THOSE TEMPORARY WORKERS WAS REALLY SUBSTANTIAL.
11 SO, WHY ARE YOU, YOU KNOW, PAYING THE TEMPORARY SO HIGH, WHERE
12 YOU COULD HAVE SPENT TIME HIRING PEOPLE, PAYING THEM BETTER,
13 AND TRAIN THEM? YOU KNOW, LIKE I SAID, IT'S NOT LIKE IT CAME
14 OUT OF THE BLUE. WE HAVE KNOWN ABOUT I.C.D.-10 FOR MANY YEARS
15 NOW. SO I'M GLAD YOU ARE GOING TO WORK ON THAT, BUT I THINK I
16 AM ALWAYS UPSET WHEN WE ARE TEMPORARY HELP WHEN PEOPLE COULD
17 HAVE PERMANENT JOB AND DOING A GOOD JOB. THANK YOU.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC
20 COMMENT. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US AS AMENDED. IT IS MOVED BY
21 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION WITH THE
22 CAVEAT OF THOSE ADJUSTMENTS. THANK YOU. OKAY. OH, THEY'RE
23 GOING TO COME BACK AND INCLUDE THAT IN THE REPORT. WE'RE ALSO
24 GETTING INFORMATION. WE JUST REQUESTED TO HAVE INFORMATION ON
25 THE OTHER FACILITIES. AND WHEN YOU ASKED THE GENTLEMAN IF HE



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1 COULDN'T RESPOND WHETHER THEY WOULD HAVE TRAINING, THAT HE
2 WOULD GET BACK TO US ON IT, I'M ASSUMING THAT -- HE'S STANDING
3 RIGHT HERE. DO YOU WANT TO COME UP AND REITERATE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I JUST WOULD APPRECIATE, IF YOU'RE GOING
6 FILL POSITIONS, THAT WE GET A LOOK-SEE PRIOR TO THE MEETING,
7 THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. OKAY, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE
10 US. IT'S MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED AS
11 AMENDED.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OKAY. THESE ARE NOT NEW POSITIONS, THOUGH.
14 I CAN UNDERSTAND IF WE WERE TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY ARE NOT NEW POSITIONS ACCORDING TO THEM, BUT
17 IT'S A NEW MOTION TO FILL THOSE POSITIONS WITH PERMANENT
18 EMPLOYEES. THAT'S THE ISSUE. IT'S NOT WHETHER 56 NEW OR 56
19 OLD. IT'S 56 POSITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN USED DURING THE
20 TEMPORARY PIECE. AND NOW YOU'RE SAYING FORGET THAT AND FILL IT
21 WITH PERMANENT POSITIONS. AND IT MAY VERY WELL BE THAT WE NEED
22 THAT, BUT IT WOULD BE NICE TO BE ABLE TO TALK TO THE C.E.O.
23 ABOUT FUNDING, TO BE ABLE TO TALK TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT
24 ABOUT THE PRIORITIES THAT THEY HAVE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT TO



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1 FILL THOSE POSITIONS, AND THE TRAINING PIECE AS IT RELATES TO
2 VETERANS AND THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THIS IS BEING DONE AT THE BEHEST OF
5 THE DEPARTMENT. AND I DON'T WANT IT TO BE THOUGHT THAT THIS IS
6 HAPPENING ANY OTHER WAY.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, YEAH, I MEAN, THAT MAY BE TRUE, BUT IT
9 WASN'T RAISED WITH US THAT THE DEPARTMENT WANTED TO DO IT.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT KIND OF SURPRISES ME. GO AHEAD.

12

13 **ANISH MAHAJAN:** IF I MAY CLARIFY, SUPERVISOR. SO, WE HAVE
14 COMPUTED THE LEVEL OF WORKLOAD AGAINST THE NUMBER OF
15 ENCOUNTERS THAT OCCUR, BOTH OUTPATIENT AND INPATIENT. AND IN
16 COMPUTING THAT, WE HAVE A STAFFING PLAN THAT SHOWS WE NEED X
17 NUMBER OF CODERS TO GET, TO KEEP UP WITH THE WORKLOAD. AS DR.
18 CLAVREUL MENTIONED, I.C.D.-10 TRANSITIONED OCCURRED BACK IN
19 OCTOBER OF 2015, WHICH IS A MUCH MORE COMPLEX CODING SCHEME.
20 AND SO, WHERE IT USED TO TAKE A CODER AN HOUR TO DO -- I'M
21 MAKING THIS UP -- FOUR CHARTS IN THE OUTPATIENT ENCOUNTER, IT
22 WOULD NOW TAKE, YOU KNOW, AN HOUR, YOU'D ONLY GET TWO DONE.
23 AND SO THE COMPLEXITY OF THE WORK IS GREATER, AND SO THE
24 WORKFORCE NEEDED TO COMPLETE IT IS GREATER. SO THAT SAID, AT
25 NO POINT HAS THE DEPARTMENT BEEN APPROPRIATELY STAFFED WITH



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1 PERMANENT EMPLOYEES TO EVEN MEET THE CODING NEEDS BEFORE
2 I.C.D.-10. AND EVEN THEN, THE BOARD APPROVED US USING OVERFLOW
3 CONTRACT CODERS TO FILL THE GAP. AND THE PAYMENTS WE MADE TO
4 THE CONTRACTORS WAS ALIGNED WITH THE PAYMENT WE MADE TO OUR
5 PERMANENT STAFF. SO THE CODERS, THROUGH CONTRACT, DIDN'T GET
6 PAID MORE THAN OUR PERMANENT STAFF DID. NOW, UNDER I.C.D.-10,
7 THE GAP BETWEEN OUR WORKFORCE AND THE WORKLOAD IS EVEN
8 GREATER. AND SO WE ARE FORTUNATE NOW WITH THE NEW PAY RATES
9 FOR OUR CODERS THAT WERE NEGOTIATED, WE NOW SEE THAT WE CAN
10 RETAIN CODERS, WHERE IN THE PAST WE WERE NOT ABLE. JUST A
11 QUICK EXAMPLE, WE HAD 10 OR 12 CODERS LEAVE US IN THE LAST
12 QUARTER OF 2015 FOR OTHER JOBS IN THE INDUSTRY, IN OTHER
13 COUNTIES, I SHOULD SAY, EVEN, BECAUSE THEY HAD MUCH BETTER PAY
14 THAN THEY DID WITH US. AND NOW THAT'S BEEN RECTIFIED. SO OUR
15 GOAL IS TO FULLY STAFF UP OUR VACANT, BUDGETED ITEMS SO THAT
16 WE DON'T HAVE TO MAKE EXPENDITURES OR RELY ON CONTRACTORS TO
17 GET THE WORK DONE. THE 56 THAT ARE VACANT, WE'VE DONE SOME
18 CALCULATIONS. WE BELIEVE THAT IF WE CAN FULLY STAFF UP
19 PERMANENT, WE WOULD ONLY NEED THE OVERFLOW CONTRACTS IN A VERY
20 MINIMAL LEVEL IN PERIODS OF TIME WHEN THERE'S AN EXCESS, FOR
21 WHATEVER REASON, WORKLOAD. BUT OTHERWISE, WE AS THE DEPARTMENT
22 WILL BE IN VERY GOOD SHAPE TO MEET THE WORKLOAD UNDER I.C.D.-
23 10 BY FILLING OUR VACANT, BUDGETED POSITIONS.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THAT FINE WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE
2 SOMEWHAT?

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FOR THE RECORD, IT MIGHT BE WORTH
5 INDICATING THAT THIS ITEM WAS BRIEFED, MADAME CHAIR AND
6 COLLEAGUES, WITH ALL THE BOARD DEPUTIES A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO
7 AND IT WAS CONTINUED AT THE BOARD LEVEL AT LEAST TWICE. AND
8 SO, NO REAL SURPRISES HERE FROM MY POINT OF VIEW. AND WE ARE
9 SIMPLY TRYING TO IMPACT IN A PROPER WAY THE ENTRY-LEVEL
10 WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITIES AND CREATE PATHS WHERE PEOPLE CAN
11 BUILD THEIR LIVES.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT BEING SAID, I AGREE, BECAUSE WE HAVE
14 BEEN WAITING TO MOVE FORWARD ON OUR REGISTRY, AS WELL. THAT'S
15 THE WHOLE PURPOSE. SO WHAT WE'RE DOING IS MOVING IN THAT
16 DIRECTION. SO THANK YOU. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT HAS BEEN
17 AMENDED. IT HAS BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
18 RIDLEY-THOMAS AGAIN. AND WITHOUT OBJECTION, THERE'S NO
19 NEGATIVE VOTES, THEN IT'S UNANIMOUS. VERY GOOD. OKAY, WE HAVE
20 ITEM 30-A. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU HELD THAT ITEM?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BRIEFLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF
23 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND KUEHL. THE MOTION, I SIMPLY WANT TO SAY
24 THAT ALL OF US HAVE SOME APPRECIATION FOR THE C.L.E.A.R.
25 PROGRAM, COMMUNITY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RECOVERY, BEGAN ALMOST



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1 BEING 20 YEARS AGO. THE OBJECTIVE IS A MULTIAGENCY GANG
2 INTERVENTION APPROACH WITH D.O.J. AND L.A. COUNTY PROBATION AS
3 WELL AS L.A.P.D. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO FACILITATE RECOVERY
4 OF GANG-INFESTED COMMUNITIES. I REMEMBER WHEN IT FIRST
5 LAUNCHED WHEN I WAS A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, AND NOW IT'S
6 TIME TO TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. AND I
7 THINK THIS IS AN IMPORTANT UNDERTAKING. THE RECENT REPORTS
8 INDICATE THE GANG-RELATED OFFENSES WERE UP FOR THE FIRST TIME
9 IN EIGHT YEARS. IN L.A.P.D., DATA SHOWED NEARLY 60 PERCENT OF
10 THE HOMICIDES IN THAT PARTICULAR CITY WERE EITHER GANG-RELATED
11 OR GANG-MOTIVATED. SO I THINK THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT AND
12 TIMELY. BUT I ALSO THINK THERE HAS TO BE A REASSESSMENT OF THE
13 EFFECTIVENESS OF GANG STRATEGIES THAT WE AIM TO DEPLOY. SOME
14 ARE OLD, CRUSTY, UNIMAGINATIVE, AND WE KEEP DOING THE SAME
15 THINGS OVER AND OVER AGAIN AND GETTING THE SAME RESULTS. SO
16 THE C.L.E.A.R. MODEL IS SOLIDLY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND DEEPLY
17 ANCHORED IN THE SUPPRESSION MODALITY THAT SAYS THAT'S THE WAY
18 THAT YOU END GANG VIOLENCE. IT'S AN AN ANTI-GANG STRATEGY
19 ROOTED IN SUPPRESSION. I THINK SUPPRESSION HAS ITS ROLE.
20 PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION IS WHAT I HAVE ADVOCATED FOR
21 THROUGHOUT MY CAREER. I WON'T RELENT ON THAT, BUT THERE ARE
22 TIMES, CLEARLY, WHEN SUPPRESSION IS JUST WHAT'S WARRANTED. YOU
23 KNOW, SCHOOL PROGRAMS, NONPROFIT AND PUBLIC SERVICE AGENCIES
24 AND INSTITUTIONS THAT EMPHASIZE PREVENTION. AND WE, OVER THE
25 YEARS, HAVE SIMPLY NOT DONE ENOUGH OF THAT. MORE IS BEING DONE



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1 IN THAT REGARD. BUT THE DEFAULT IS NOT PREVENTION. THE DEFAULT
2 IS NOT INTERVENTION. THE DEFAULT IS NOT RE-ENTRY. THE DEFAULT
3 IS SUPPRESSION. SO THE QUESTION THAT C.L.E.A.R. HAS TO ANSWER
4 IS HOW THE RESOURCES ARE BEING USED ALONG THOSE LINES IN TERMS
5 OF SUPPRESSION OF GANG VIOLENCE VERSUS ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE
6 INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION. THIS IS A CONVERSATION THAT HAS
7 ENGAGED THE MINDS OF MANY FOR A LONG TIME. FATHER GREGORY
8 BOYLE, AN APPOINTEE ON THE COMMISSION WHEN I WAS ON THE CITY
9 COUNCIL, MALCOLM KLEIN, DIEGO VIGIL, A RANGE OF INDIVIDUAL
10 SCHOLARS, ACTIVISTS ENGAGED ON THIS QUESTION. SO I'M
11 INTERESTED IN OUTLINING AN IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY FOR
12 REDIRECTING OUR COUNTY'S PROPORTIONED D.O.J. RESOURCES AWAY
13 FROM THE STRICTLY INCARCERATION MODEL TOWARD A MORE SUPPORTIVE
14 EVIDENCE-BASED SET OF ALTERNATIVES. AND APPROVAL OF THIS
15 MOTION, WHICH I SUPPORT, IT AUTHORIZES THE CHIEF PROBATION
16 OFFICER AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE
17 C.L.E.A.R. PROGRAM EFFORTS TO AMEND OR MODIFY THEIR CURRENT
18 AGREEMENT, PUT A MODIFICATION FOR THE USAGE OF THE COUNTY'S
19 C.L.E.A.R. RESOURCES, INCLUDE AN ALLOCATION OR RE-ALLOCATION
20 OF RESOURCES TO C.B.O.S THAT COULD ENGAGE, WHOSE CORE
21 COMPETENCY IS TO WORK WITH GANG-AFFILIATED INDIVIDUALS USING
22 EVIDENCE-BASED INTERVENTION, RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAMMING.
23 I WONDER IF THAT COULD BE SOMETHING THAT WE MORE INTENTIONALLY
24 AIM TO DO? AND SO IF I MAY, THE MAKERS, CAN WE CAUSE THE
25 C.E.O., THE INTERIM CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, THE DISTRICT



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1 ATTORNEY TO GET BACK TO US IN 30 DAYS OR SO ABOUT THE
2 FEASIBILITY OF ALTERNATIVE USES OF THESE RESOURCES WITH AN
3 EMPHASIS ON EVIDENCE-BASED, COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION,
4 INTERVENTION AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE MODELS? I DON'T WANT TO
5 SAY THAT WE NEED TO ADOPT ANYTHING. I JUST THINK THE
6 EXPLORATION OF SUCH IN THE CONTEXT OF THIS 20-YEAR HISTORICAL
7 LOOKBACK WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US. MADAME CHAIR.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. I
10 THINK THAT THE REASON WHY I'M TAKING THIS UP IS BECAUSE THAT'S
11 EXACTLY WHAT WE'VE SEEN IN THE FIELD. WE NEED TO HAVE MORE
12 INCLUSIVITY AND C.B.O.S AND FOLKS THAT ARE OUT THERE WILLING
13 TO HELP US. I AGREE SUPPRESSION ISN'T ALWAYS THE MEANS TO THE
14 END, BUT THAT WE HAVE TO LOOK AT OTHER ALTERNATIVE MODES.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH.

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. WE
19 CAN ASK FOR THAT TO COME BACK TO US FROM THE C.E.O. WITH THAT.
20 AND SHEILA? YES.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** YEAH, I THINK WE'RE ALSO REALLY INTERESTED,
23 MORE INTERESTED THAN WE'VE BEEN IN OUTCOMES. A LOT OF THE
24 EVALUATION THAT WE DO AND HAVE DONE IS KIND OF HOW MANY OF
25 THESE AND HOW MANY OF THOSE. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO



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1 LOOK AND SEE: WELL, HOW IS THIS WORKING? I REMEMBER WHEN THE
2 SCHOOLS HAD A ZERO TOLERANCE FOR TRUANCY PROGRAM. AND THEY
3 WOULD JUST GIVE YOU A TICKET. AND THEN THEY WOULD SAY, WELL,
4 WE'RE DEALING WITH TRUANCY BECAUSE WE'RE TELLING EVERYBODY
5 HERE'S A TICKET, WHEREAS LOOKING AT SOME OF THE UNDERLYING
6 ISSUES WAS NOT SORT OF "WE'RE GOING DO THIS TO YOU," BUT "HOW
7 CAN WE HELP MAKE SURE YOU GET TO SCHOOL?" I THINK THIS IS VERY
8 MUCH THE SAME. I DO UNDERSTAND THAT A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF
9 COMMUNITY STRENGTH IS ALSO NEEDED IN TERMS OF GANG WORK. BUT I
10 THINK LOOKING AT THESE DIFFERENT MODELS AND REALLY FROM AN
11 EVALUATIVE APPROACH IS AN IMPORTANT PART.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I THINK A LOT OF THIS FALLS IN LINE WITH A
14 LOT OF WHAT WE HEARD BACK IN WASHINGTON FROM OUR COLLEAGUES
15 AND FROM THE ADMINISTRATION. SO I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH
16 MAKING ADJUSTMENTS. WE DO HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS. IF
17 WE COULD HAVE ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS COME FORWARD.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
20 DISTRICT. AND I WOULD APPLAUD THE SUPERVISOR FOR TAKING A
21 CLOSER LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RECOVERY
22 PROGRAM. IT IS A PARTNERSHIP, AS YOU KNOW, BETWEEN L.A.P.D.,
23 THE D.A., CITY ATTORNEY, THE SHERIFF, OBVIOUSLY, AND PAROLE
24 AND PROBATION, AS WELL, TO PARTICIPATE ON THE TEAM. AND I
25 THINK SUPPRESSION IS MAYBE AN OLD IDEA. THIS IS 20 YEARS AGO



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1 THAT THIS WAS SET UP BY RIORDAN AFTER A PARTICULARLY
2 HORRIFYING CRIME WHERE AN INNOCENT CHILD WAS SHOT, I THINK,
3 BECAUSE THEY WERE IN THE WRONG NEIGHBORHOOD BY ACCIDENT. BUT
4 AS WE GO FORWARD WITH THIS GROUP, IT'S GOOD TO THINK ABOUT
5 RECASTING THE PURPOSE AND THE GOAL OF THESE KINDS OF THINGS.
6 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ITSELF THIS YEAR ALONE HAD PROJECTED
7 ABOUT \$54 MILLION IN LIABILITY PAYOUTS. AND THAT NUMBER HAS
8 ASTRONOMICALLY SOARED TO SOMETHING LIKE I THINK WE'RE UP TO 80
9 SOMETHING NOW. AND IT'S GOING TO 100. IT'S A REAL PROBLEM,
10 BECAUSE WHEN IDEAS ARE PUT INTO PRACTICE THAT VIOLATE -- THAT
11 SEEM LIKE THEY MAY BE WELL-INTENTIONED, BUT, FOR EXAMPLE, I
12 THINK THEY GOT SUED THIS YEAR AND THERE WERE 80 -- EXCUSE ME -
13 - THERE WERE -- IT WAS A \$30-MILLION SETTLEMENT, MUCH OF WHICH
14 OF THE MONEY IS GOING TO BE PUT TO, I HOPE, GOOD USE AND I
15 HOPE THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS AWARE OF THAT, THAT
16 THAT SETTLEMENT IS GOING TO GO INTO SOME OF THE COMMUNITIES
17 WHICH WERE IMPROPERLY PUT UNDER CURFEW. SO THAT OBVIOUSLY IF
18 WE WANT GANG CHARACTERS OFF THE STREETS, IT'S AN IDEA. BUT IF
19 YOU ENFORCE, THEN, A CURFEW ON PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE
20 COMMUNITIES, THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE OTHERWISE, IT'S A REAL
21 VIOLATION TO DO THAT. AND OBVIOUSLY, PUBLIC SAFETY IS A
22 CHALLENGE TO ENFORCE. AND WE ALL TRY, PEOPLE IN LAW
23 ENFORCEMENT TRY TO DO THE RIGHT THING. BUT I THINK MANY OF THE
24 SAME OLD STRATEGIES HAVE FAILED. AND IT IS TIME FOR THE OTHER
25 IDEAS LIKE RE-ENTRY AND FOR KIND OF A MEANINGFUL EFFORT TO



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1 STEM THE PRODUCTION OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO DO BUT
2 GET INVOLVED IN THE GANG AND DO CRIME. I THINK PROVIDING
3 SOLUTIONS TO THE DEEPER PROBLEMS IS A GREAT AREA. THANKS.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I
8 WAS WONDERING IF YOU COULD CLARIFY FOR ME A SITUATION. IT
9 MENTIONS HERE THE PLACEMENT OF PROBATION OFFICERS AT POLICE
10 AND SHERIFF'S STATIONS AND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING
11 ON. THE COUNTY.. I'M THINKING OF HER NAME AND I CAN'T THINK OF
12 HER NAME AND THAT'S REALLY TERRIBLE. JACKIE LACEY, THE D.A.'S
13 OFFICE, INVESTIGATES FELONIES. THE CITY ATTORNEYS INVESTIGATE
14 MISDEMEANORS. PROBATION OFFICERS OVERSEE FELONY VIOLATIONS OR
15 MISDEMEANOR VIOLATIONS. I'M PRETTY SURE THEY OVERSEE FELONY
16 VIOLATIONS. WOULDN'T IT BE A BETTER USAGE OF A PROBATION
17 OFFICER TO PLACE THEM IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,
18 BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE FELONIES ARE HEARD OR PASSED THROUGH
19 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. YOU HEAR A LOT ABOUT THE L.A.
20 CITY ATTORNEY MAKING ALL THESE MOTIONS, BUT AGAIN, THEY'RE
21 ONLY REFERRING TO MISDEMEANORS. THEY'RE NOT REFERRING TO
22 FELONIES. PART OF THE PROBLEM WAS THE SAVINGS THAT THE
23 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WOULD HAVE BECAUSE OF PROP 47 AND
24 THE REDUCTION OF FELONY CASES BECAUSE THERE WAS A MISDEMEANOR.
25 SO CONVERSELY, IF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAS LOWER



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1 INPUT ON FELONY CASES, THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WOULD HAVE
2 HIGHER INPUT ON MISDEMEANOR CASES. YOU THROW BACK AND FORTH
3 THESE TERMS, AND IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE DOING SOMETHING, BUT
4 YOU'RE NOT DOING NOTHING.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER, TARENCE JONES
7 BEY?

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9 **TARENCE JONES BEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. TARENCE JONES BAY. I THINK
10 WE SHOULD GET LIKE THE PARENTS INVOLVED OR AT LEAST GET THE
11 COMMUNITY MORE WELL-VERSED ON THE PLANS, BECAUSE THOSE ARE THE
12 PEOPLE THAT'S READILY AFFECTED, WHETHER THEY'RE THE VICTIM OR,
13 YOU KNOW, THE OFFENDER. BUT IF WE CAN GET THE COMMUNITY MORE
14 INVOLVED, LIKE THE PARENTS OR THE CHILDREN, YOU KNOW WHAT I
15 MEAN, THAT MIGHT BE SUBJECTED TO THESE GANG ACTIVITIES, THEN I
16 THINK THAT WOULD REALLY HELP TOWARDS THE PROGRAM AND HELP IT
17 RUN A LITTLE BIT MORE EFFICIENTLY. AND THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. JUST SOME CLARIFICATIONS, MAYBE WE COULD
22 HAVE THE PROBATION FOLKS COME UP. I SUPPORT THE MOTION,
23 BECAUSE I DO THINK WE NEED TO RE-EVALUATE SOME ISSUES THAT ARE
24 GOING ON. BUT AS I UNDERSTAND IT, WE DON'T HAVE ANY OF THE



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1 C.L.E.A.R. FOLKS IN ANY OF OUR SHERIFF'S STATIONS. IS THAT
2 CORRECT?

3

4 **CAL REMINGTON:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I'M NOT SURE THAT ALL THE NINE L.A.P.D.
7 STATIONS COVER ALL FIVE DISTRICTS. SO WHY DON'T WE HAVE
8 C.L.E.A.R. FOLKS IN OUR SHERIFF'S STATIONS?

9

10 **CAL REMINGTON:** LET ME GIVE YOU A BRIEF HISTORY.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** I KNOW WE GOT SOME D.P.O.S THERE, BUT I WAS JUST,
13 YEAH.

14

15 **CAL REMINGTON:** YEAH, AND YOU'RE CORRECT ON THAT. THIS WAS
16 INITIATIVE THAT WAS INITIALLY FUNDED, STILL FUNDED, ONLY TO A
17 LESSER EXTENT, BY THE J. EDWARD BYRNE..

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

20

21 **CAL REMINGTON:** ..AND IT WAS AN L.A.P.D. INITIATIVE. AND SO WE
22 WERE ASKED TO JOIN THAT INITIATIVE, AS BEEN MENTIONED, TWO
23 DECADES AGO. THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS, STRICTLY HAS BEEN
24 AND STILL IS SUPPRESSION. IT AROSE OUT OF SOME SERIOUS GANG



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1 VIOLENCE THAT OCCURRED 20 YEARS AGO IN THE CITY OF LOS
2 ANGELES. AND THE FOCUS AT THAT TIME, AGAIN --

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** IT WAS ON THE UNINCORPORATED BORDERS, TOO. THAT
5 WAS PART OF THE PROBLEM.

6

7 **CAL REMINGTON:** AND ON THE UNINCORPORATED BORDER, YES. SO AT
8 THIS POINT, THAT PROGRAM HAS SURVIVED TWO DECADES. THE FUNDING
9 IS STILL THERE. IT DOESN'T OFFSET THE COST, OUR COST, BY MORE
10 THAN 15 PERCENT. SO AT THIS POINT, AGAIN, IT STILL EXISTS. OUR
11 SHARE, THE GRANT HAS GONE DOWN TO \$267,000 A YEAR. THAT MONEY
12 COMES TO PROBATION TO OFFSET OUR COSTS. BUT AS I SAID,
13 SUPERVISOR, OUR COSTS ARE OVER.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. AND THE REASON, BUT YOU HAVE
16 NOT ANSWERED THE QUESTION WHY WE DON'T HAVE ANY OF THE
17 C.L.E.A.R. FOLKS IN OUR SHERIFF'S STATION.

18

19 **CAL REMINGTON:** WE DON'T HAVE ANY BECAUSE IT WAS A CITY
20 INITIATIVE, AND L.A.P.D. INITIATIVE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THEY ASKED US TO JOIN.

23

24 **CAL REMINGTON:** THEY ASKED PROBATION TO JOIN, YES.

25



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** MY QUESTION STILL IS? GO AHEAD.

4

5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I'M NOT CERTAIN THIS IS ACCURATE,
6 COLLEAGUE, BUT I HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT THE SHERIFF WASN'T REAL
7 POSITIVE ON THIS PROGRAM AND DIDN'T ASK FOR IT, BECAUSE IT
8 DIDN'T HAVE SOME OF THE OTHER ASPECTS IN IT THAT WE WERE
9 TRYING TO INCLUDE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THE OLD SHERIFF.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THE OLD SHERIFF.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, NO, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT YOU DON'T
16 UPDATE THE PROGRAM. YOU'RE CLEARLY RIGHT ON THAT.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** YEAH, I THINK THAT -- I'M NOT SURE, AND --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THERE WAS A DIFFERENT CHIEF AND DIFFERENT SHERIFF
21 THAT WERE HAVING A LITTLE BATTLE AT THE TIME.

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** RIGHT. BUT, YOU KNOW, THE FORMER SHERIFF
24 ALSO HAD SOME NOTIONS ABOUT OTHER WAYS TO APPROACH GANG



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1 SUPPRESSION, NOT INSTEAD OF BUT IN ADDITION TO, THAT I THINK
2 WE'RE ASKING IN THIS TO EXPLORE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I'M SUPPORTING THE MOTION. I JUST ASKED A
5 QUESTION.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I KNOW THAT. BUT I THINK THE ANSWER IS THEY
8 DIDN'T THINK THAT THIS WAS NECESSARILY THE BEST WAY TO GO,
9 EITHER.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT WE DO. WE WANT A REPORT BACK. WE
12 ACTUALLY WANT A REPORT BACK AND KNOW HOW WE CAN INTEGRATE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT IN THAT REPORT BACK, THEN YOU'LL LOOK AT THE
15 ISSUE OF POTENTIAL C.L.E.A.R. FOLKS IN OUR SHERIFF'S STATIONS,
16 RIGHT?

17

18 **CAL REMINGTON:** WELL, OR, YES. IF C.L.E.A.R. IS STRICTLY
19 SUPPRESSION, WE DO HAVE SOME COLLATED POSITIONS WITH OUR
20 SHERIFF'S OFFICE, BUT THEY'RE NOT C.L.E.A.R. THEY'RE NOT
21 SUPPRESSION-ONLY AS C.L.E.A.R. IS.

22

23 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC SPEAKERS
24 ON THIS ITEM.

25



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1 **CAL REMINGTON:** THANK YOU.

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3 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT IS --
4 COMMENTS WERE MADE BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO INCLUDE, I
5 GUESS, A LOOKBACK FROM OUR C.E.O., AND WE'LL ADDRESS THAT. I
6 BELIEVE WE DON'T NEED A FORMAL AMENDMENT. I THINK WE ALL AGREE
7 TO THAT. AND THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND
8 SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THANK YOU. OKAY. WE HAVE ONE
9 OTHER ITEM UP. ITEM 9 HAS BEEN HELD BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

10

11 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** RICHARD? RICHARD? THIS IS A -- CHAIR,
12 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THIS IS A RESULT OF A MOTION THAT WAS
13 INTRODUCED IN FEBRUARY WITH SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS DIRECTING
14 THE REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE, PUBLIC HEALTH,
15 TREASURER, TAX COLLECTOR, AND CONSUMER BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO
16 IDENTIFY LOCATIONS ADJACENT TO OR WITHIN THE PUBLIC WORKS
17 HEADQUARTERS TO ACCOMMODATE A ONE-STOP DEVELOPMENT CENTER.
18 THIS WAS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR CONSTITUENTS AND BUSINESSES TO
19 NAVIGATE THE ENTITLEMENT PROCESS WITHOUT HAVING TO DRIVE TO
20 FIVE DIFFERENT LOCATIONS, WHICH THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE AND HAVE
21 BEEN DOING. RIGHT NOW, IF ONE WANTS TO OPEN A BUSINESS, THEY
22 NEED TO DRIVE DOWNTOWN TO PAY \$25 FOR PARKING TO SEE REGIONAL
23 PLANNING, THEN DRIVE TO ALHAMBRA AND VISIT PUBLIC WORKS, THEN
24 DRIVE TO THE CITY OF COMMERCE TO VISIT FIRE PREVENTION, THEN
25 DRIVE TO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AT BALDWIN PARK. THE PROCESS IS



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1 EXTREMELY FRUSTRATING AND INVOLVES QUITE A BIT OF DRIVING,
2 WASTED TIME, AND ENERGY. SO CO-LOCATING THESE DEPARTMENTS
3 WOULD NOT ONLY HELP THE CONSTITUENT, IT IMPROVES THE
4 COORDINATION AMONG STAFF AND INCREASES DIALOGUE WHEN WORKING
5 ON UPDATING COMMUNITY PLANS, C.S.D.S. AND OTHER POLICY
6 MATTERS. AND WHEN PROBLEMS ARISE, IT'S NOT UNCOMMON FOR A
7 MEETING OF THESE DEPARTMENTS TO TAKE WEEKS TO SCHEDULE UNDER
8 THIS CURRENT PROCESS. WHAT WE'RE DOING IS CREATING AN
9 ENVIRONMENT WHERE STAFF AND CONSTITUENTS CAN LITERALLY WALK
10 AND TALK TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND RESOLVE ISSUES QUICKLY.
11 THERE HAVE BEEN DEPARTMENT STAFF THAT HAVE RAISED CONCERNS
12 ABOUT THE MOVE. THOSE CONCERNS INCLUDE ACCESS TO MASS TRANSIT
13 AND CHILDCARE PROXIMATE TO DOWNTOWN L.A. AND THE LEASE
14 AGREEMENT. SO, QUESTION FOR THE REGIONAL PLANNING, SUPERVISOR
15 KNABE'S MOTION PROPOSES TO SPLIT YOUR DEPARTMENT AND KEEP YOUR
16 ADVANCED PLANNING STAFF DOWNTOWN. DO YOU SUPPORT THAT? YES OR
17 NO OR WHY?

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19 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** IT'S VERY IMPORTANT I THINK FOR THE STAFF TO
20 STAY TOGETHER. OVER MY SIX YEARS HERE, WE TRIED TO WORK MUCH
21 MORE COLLABORATIVELY AND BREAK DOWN SILOS, WHICH WERE IN
22 ADVANCED PLANNING, CURRENT PLANNING, AND OUR ENFORCEMENT
23 STAFF. SO WHEN WE ARE MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS, EITHER POLICY
24 RECOMMENDATIONS ON PLANS OR RECOMMENDATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL
25 PROJECTS, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE THREE DIVISIONS MEET



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1 AND HAVE A FULL DISCUSSION. IN ADDITION, WE HOLD SEVERAL
2 HEARINGS EVERY WEEK, EITHER BEFORE HEARING OFFICERS OR BEFORE
3 THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AND TO FORMULATE BOTH THE
4 RECOMMENDATIONS AND TO MAKE THE PRESENTATIONS BETWEEN THOSE
5 COMMISSIONS. I THINK THERE'S A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF EFFICIENCY IF
6 WE WERE ALL LOCATED IN ONE PLACE. THAT WOULD FACILITATE GOOD
7 DIALOGUE AND IT IMPROVES, IN MY OPINION, IT IMPROVES GREATLY
8 OUR QUALITY OF OUR RECOMMENDATION. SO I THINK STAYING TOGETHER
9 IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME AS A DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT.

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11 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND TO THE C.E.O. STAFF
12 WHO DID THIS, THE MOTION THAT IS ON THE BOARD AGENDA TODAY
13 PROPOSES TO CREATE A REGIONAL ONE-STOP CENTER DOWNTOWN. HAVE
14 YOU LOOKED AT LOCATION DEPARTMENT THAT COULD HOUSE ALL OF
15 THESE DEPARTMENTS, AND WHAT DID YOU FIND?

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17 **DAVID HOWARD:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR. DAVID HOWARD,
18 ASSISTANT C.E.O. WE DID LOOK BRIEFLY AT SOME OPTIONS DOWNTOWN
19 AND DID NOT IMMEDIATELY FIND ANYTHING AVAILABLE. BUT OUR
20 PRINCIPAL FOCUS WAS IN THE ALHAMBRA AREA, BASED ON THE MOTION.

21

22 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND CONCERNS HAVE BEEN RAISED
23 REGARDING TO ACCESS TO MASS TRANSIT, CHILDCARE. HOW ARE THOSE
24 ISSUES BEING ADDRESSED?

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1 **DAVID HOWARD:** YES, SUPERVISOR. WITH RESPECT TO MASS TRANSIT,
2 PUBLIC WORKS HAS FOR MANY YEARS HAD VARIOUS TRANSIT OPTIONS
3 AVAILABLE FOR THEIR EXISTING STAFF. THAT INCLUDES A SHUTTLE
4 FROM UNION STATION TO THE PUBLIC WORKS HEADQUARTERS. THERE ARE
5 METRO BUS LINES, AND THERE'S ALSO CITY OF ALHAMBRA LOCAL AREA
6 SHUTTLES. THERE'S A SHUTTLE THAT RUNS FROM THE METROLINK STOP
7 AT CAL STATE L.A. TO THE CAMPUS. AS PART OF THE PROPOSED
8 LEASE, THE LESSOR HAS AGREED FOR TWO YEARS TO PROVIDE AT HIS
9 COST A SHUTTLE TO THE NEW GOLD LINE STOP IN SOUTH PASADENA.
10 AND THERE'S AN EXPECTATION THAT ULTIMATELY THE CITY OF
11 ALHAMBRA WILL EXPAND THEIR NETWORK OF SHUTTLES TO COVER THAT.
12 WITH RESPECT TO CHILDCARE, THAT IS AN ONGOING, OPEN ISSUE.
13 IT'S RECOGNIZED AS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. WE'RE LOOKING FOR
14 OPTIONS THAT WOULD ADDRESS CHILDCARE. PUBLIC WORKS HAS FOR
15 MANY YEARS HAD A CONTRACT WITH A CHILDCARE CENTER. AND SO
16 WE'LL BE EXPLORING WHETHER THAT CONTRACT COULD BE MODIFIED OR
17 IF THERE ARE OTHER CHILDCARE CENTERS THAT COULD BE MADE
18 AVAILABLE THAT WOULD ADDRESS THE LONG HOURS THAT THE STAFF
19 WORK.

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21 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THERE'S A QUESTION RELATIVE TO THE
22 LEASE THAT WOULD END IN EIGHT YEARS AND THEN WE WOULD BE IN
23 LIMBO. COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE AGREEMENT AND THE OPTIONS THE
24 COUNTY HAS?

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1 **DAVID HOWARD:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE TERM OF THE PROPOSED LEASE
2 IS FOR EIGHT YEARS, AND IT INCLUDES AN OPTION AT THE COUNTY'S
3 DISCRETION FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE YEARS. IN CONVERSATION WITH
4 THE LANDLORD, HE'S AGREED IF AT OUR REQUEST WE WANTED TO ADD A
5 SECOND FIVE-YEAR OPTION TERM, WE COULD DO THAT.

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7 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO THAT WOULD BE WHAT?

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9 **DAVID HOWARD:** THAT WOULD BE A TOTAL OF 18 YEARS.

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11 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** 18 YEARS. AND WHAT WOULD A 60-DAY
12 CONCURRENCE OR, I SHOULD SAY, CONTINUANCE, HOW WOULD THAT
13 IMPACT THE PROPOSAL THAT'S CURRENTLY ON THE TABLE?

14

15 **DAVID HOWARD:** THE LANDLORD HAS AGREED TO HONOR THE PROPOSED
16 LEASE TERMS UP THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF JUNE. ALSO, WE BELIEVE
17 THAT WE CAN RESPOND TO THIS MOTION IN A LESS THAN 60-DAY
18 PERIOD AND GET THE BOARD THE INFORMATION THEY REQUESTED.

19

20 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND, RICHARD, THERE ARE CONCERNS THAT
21 YOU WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD THE MOVE AND YOU'D HAVE TO
22 RAISE PERMIT FEES TO RECOUP YOUR COSTS? IS THAT ACCURATE?

23

24 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** WE HAVE WORKED WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND
25 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COST OF THE MOVE WILL BE



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1 COVERED OUTSIDE OF FEES AND THAT THE NEXT YEAR'S -- IF THE
2 MOVE WERE TO TAKE PLACE, NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET WOULD INCLUDE THE
3 COST OF THE LEASE. IT WOULD NOT BE ATTACHED TO FEES.

4

5 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND IS LOCATING THESE DEPARTMENTS IN
6 ONE REGIONAL STOP CENTER A POSITIVE STEP FORWARD?

7

8 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** ABSOLUTELY. I THINK THERE'S BEEN DISCUSSIONS
9 AT THIS BOARD, BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, AS YOU STATED IN
10 YOUR OPENING REMARKS, SUPERVISOR, VERY IMPORTANT FOR CUSTOMER
11 SERVICE. CUSTOMERS NOW HAVE TO NOT ONLY MOVE WITHIN THE
12 UNINCORPORATED AREA BUT TO VARIOUS PLACES WITHIN THE COUNTY.
13 BUT ALSO, VERY IMPORTANT, IS THAT THERE WOULD BE A SENSE OF
14 TEAMWORK AMONGST ALL OF THE PLAYERS. THEY WOULD BE ADJACENT TO
15 EACH OTHER AND SHARED PROBLEM SOLVING, WHICH WOULD GREATLY
16 ENHANCE CUSTOMER SERVICE, IN MY OPINION.

17

18 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO A 60-DAY IS TOO LONG IN THE SENSE
19 THAT WE HAVE AN AGREEMENT THAT HAS TO BE SIGNED IN A FEW WEEKS
20 OR WE LOSE THAT AGREEMENT. I MEAN, IF YOU WANT A ONE-WEEK
21 CONTINUANCE, I CAN UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT 60 DAYS IS TOO LONG,
22 BECAUSE IT INTERFERES WITH THE CONTRACT THAT IS ON THE TABLE
23 THAT IF WE DON'T SIGN IT, WE LOSE THIS OPPORTUNITY, WHICH
24 SERVES THE PUBLIC.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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3 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** I SUPPORT THE INFORMATION ONE-STOP CENTER. THE
6 PURPOSE OF MY MOTION IS NOT TO STOP THAT. BUT I DO THINK SOME
7 ADDITIONAL STUDY. I MEAN, OUR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND
8 OUR COMMISSIONERS ON FOUR DIFFERENT OCCASIONS AT THE
9 COMMISSION MEETINGS EXPRESSED CONCERN AND SENT THEIR LETTER TO
10 THE BOARD TO ASK US TO SORT OF DOUBLE-CHECK THE OPTION. AND IF
11 THERE'S A WAY TO RETAIN THAT ONE-STOP CENTER DOWNTOWN WITH ITS
12 PROXIMITY TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, I JUST THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT
13 THAT. ALSO, AS IT RELATES TO THE ONE-STOP CENTER, I THINK IT'S
14 REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE ALSO INCLUDE A CONSUMER AND BUSINESS
15 AFFAIRS SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT THE SMALL-BUSINESS
16 CONCIERGE THAT WE'RE WORKING ON, WHICH WOULD BE A CRITICAL
17 PART OF THIS ONE STOP CENTER. SO I JUST THINK WE NEED TO
18 RESPOND TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND THEIR ISSUES
19 AND OUR OWN CONCERNS JUST TO MAKE SURE WE'RE DOING THE RIGHT
20 THING. THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. THE ONE-STOP CENTER IS
21 SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO DO. BUT WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT
22 LOCATIONS AND UPROOTING, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT IF WE DO
23 THAT IN ONE LOCATION, I MEAN THERE'S ALSO THE OPTION TO KEEP
24 EVERYBODY WHERE THEY ARE AND CREATE ONE-STOP CENTERS
25 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY SO THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO GO DOWNTOWN,



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1 AS WELL, TOO. SO ALSO WITH, YOU KNOW, OUR DATA AND ELECTRONIC
2 PROCESSING, A LOT OF THINGS ARE GOING TO CHANGE THAT WAY. SO I
3 THINK THAT'S INCLUDED IN MY MOTION. AND I AGREE, IF THEY NEED
4 TO DO IT QUICKER THAN 60 DAYS, THEY CAN DO IT. I MEAN, YOU CAN
5 DO IT IN 30 DAYS, AND THAT'S BEFORE THE MIDDLE OF JUNE. SO
6 THAT WOULD BE FINE.

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8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THIS ALL STRIKES ME AS VERY 20TH-CENTURY.
11 WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE WE CAN HAVE ONE PLACE WHERE
12 EVERYBODY CAN DRIVE TO AND PERSONALLY MEET WITH EVERYBODY,
13 WHICH IS A VERY, VERY GOOD RESULT. BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE
14 21ST CENTURY, WHICH IS: I'D LIKE TO DO ALL OF MY PERMITTING IF
15 I CAN, AND EVEN THOUGH NOW BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES ALLOWS ME TO VISIT WITH MY DOCTOR, YOU KNOW, BY TWO-
17 WAY VIDEO, ALLOWS ME TO HAVE KIND OF OTHER KINDS OF
18 INFORMATION BY TWO-WAY VIDEO, I CAN'T DO IT WITH PLANNING AND
19 FIRE AND ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE. WE HAVE TO REALLY DISCUSS, IN A
20 SENSE, UPROOTING YOUR ENTIRE DEPARTMENT TO ALHAMBRA, WHICH IS
21 A WONDERFUL AND BEAUTIFUL PLACE, BUT WHY ALHAMBRA? I MEAN,
22 CERTAINLY PEOPLE IN THE WEST VALLEY LOOKING FOR PERMITS IN MY
23 DEPARTMENT ARE NOT GOING TO GO "OH, GOOD, NOW I ONLY HAVE TO
24 DRIVE AN EXTRA HOUR," YOU KNOW, SO THAT THEY CAN ALL BE
25 TOGETHER. I THINK THAT EXPLORING THIS QUESTION ABOUT WHERE AND



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1 HOW PEOPLE WILL BE LOCATED SHOULD ALSO ASK US TO FIGURE OUT A
2 WAY TO SERVE OUR CLIENTS SO THEY CAN GO TO A PLACE AND
3 SOMEHOW, YOU KNOW, TALK TO PEOPLE. I DON'T MEAN IT ALL HAS TO
4 BE EMAIL. IF THEY HAVE TO HAVE INTERVIEWS, IF THEY HAVE TO
5 PROPOSE THINGS AND EVEN GETTING A SIGNATURE, THERE OUGHT TO BE
6 A 21ST-CENTURY ANSWER TO THIS.

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8 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** LET ME TRY AND ADDRESS THAT, SUPERVISOR.

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10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** PLEASE.

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12 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** WE ARE IMPLEMENTING THE ELECTRONIC
13 PERMITTING, AND WE ARE TAKING PERMITS IN ELECTRONICALLY. AND
14 THAT PROCESS IS SPREADING TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AND
15 WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH THAT. WE ARE PUSHING MORE WORK OUT TO
16 OUR FIELD OFFICES. AS YOU MAY KNOW, IN THE CALABASAS FIELD
17 OFFICE, WE ARE DOING MORE WORK AND MORE COMPLEX WORK. THE WORK
18 WE DO IN THIS ONE STOP IS THE MORE COMPLICATED PLANS WHERE
19 THERE NEEDS TO BE FACE-TO-FACE AND PROBLEM SOLVING ON LARGER,
20 COMPLEX ISSUES. SO WE ARE WORKING ON ALL OF THOSE FRONTS. WE
21 ARE WORKING IN A 21ST-CENTURY WAY TO ROUTE THINGS AROUND
22 ELECTRONICALLY, TO TAKE THEM IN ELECTRONICALLY, TO AFFORD
23 PAYMENTS ELECTRONICALLY, AND WE'RE PUSHING MORE WORK OUT TO
24 THE FIELD OFFICE. THE ONE STOP IS FOR THE MORE COMPLICATED
25 PLANS WHERE YOU NEED MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS AND PROBLEM SOLVING.



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1 AND WE THINK THE FACE-TO-FACE IS THE BEST WAY TO DO THAT. IT
2 IS A MUCH MORE LIMITED SCOPE THAN IT WAS FIVE, TEN YEARS AGO,
3 BUT THERE STILL NEEDS THAT ONE PLACE WHERE EVERYONE COMES
4 TOGETHER, AND NOT ONLY FOR THE CLIENT INTERFACE, BUT SO THE
5 TEAMS CAN SOLVE PROBLEMS.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** AND I THINK WE PUT OUR CLIENTS FIRST,
8 OBVIOUSLY, OVER OUR STAFF, BUT WE DO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY AS
9 EMPLOYERS TO THINK OF OUR STAFF, AS WELL. AND IT MAY BE THE
10 CASE THAT, WE'LL SAY, YOU KNOW, AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR
11 CHILDCARE SLOTS, BUT SO ARE THE 87,000 PEOPLE ON THE WAITING
12 LISTS FOR CHILDCARE SLOTS. IT ISN'T ALL THAT EASY TO GO AND
13 SAY, WELL, PUBLIC HEALTH HAS A NUMBER OF SLOTS, MAYBE WE CAN
14 SHARE THEM. NO, BECAUSE THEY'RE QUITE FULL AND THERE'S A LIST
15 FOR THOSE, AS WELL. SO, ESPECIALLY, I HATE TO SAY IN TERMS OF
16 DETAIL, BUT IN THE CASE OF INFANT CARE, WHICH IS A VERY
17 SPECIALIZED KIND OF CHILDCARE, WHEN PEOPLE ARE WORKING
18 DOWNTOWN HAVE FOUND IT AND THEN WE SAY, YOU KNOW, GO TO -- NOW
19 YOU'RE GOING TO WORK IN ALHAMBRA, IT DOES REALLY MAKE IT
20 DIFFICULT. SO I SUPPORT THE MOTION TO EXPLORE OTHER
21 POSSIBILITIES. I KNOW THE PLACE IS BEAUTIFUL IN ALHAMBRA. IT
22 WOULD PROBABLY BE A LOVELY PLACE TO WORK, BUT I THINK WE DO
23 HAVE TO THINK ABOUT WHETHER WE CAN REALLY THINK ABOUT OUR
24 CLIENTS GOING TO ONE PLACE THAT HAS GOOD PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION



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1 AND THE KINDS OF AMENITIES THAT OUR STAFF NEEDS JUST TO BE
2 ABLE TO WORK THE LONG HOURS THAT THEY DO.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD? IF NOT, WE
5 HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. WE HAVE RACHEL HORNING,
6 DEANDRE VALENCIA, AND ARNOLD SACHS.

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8 **RACHEL HORNING:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RACHEL HORNING. I'M
9 A POLICY MANAGER AT BIZFED, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS
10 FEDERATION, AND WE'RE A GRASSROOTS ALLIANCE OF OVER 155 TOP
11 BUSINESS GROUPS REPRESENTING 275,000 EMPLOYERS WITH 3 MILLION
12 EMPLOYEES THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. WE BELIEVE IT'S VITAL THAT
13 L.A. COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING CONTINUE DOWN A
14 PATH OF STREAMLINED, ONLINE AND TRADITIONAL PERMITTING, AND
15 ANYTHING STANDING IN THE WAY OF THIS WE BELIEVE WILL HAMPER
16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. WE APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT HAS GONE
17 INTO THIS CONSOLIDATION AND CO-LOCATION EFFORT. BIZFED FULLY
18 BELIEVES THAT CREATING A ONE-STOP DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN
19 ALHAMBRA INCLUSIVE OF PUBLIC COUNTER SERVICES, APPLICATION
20 PROCESSING, LAND DEVELOPMENT, PERMITTING, AND COUNSELING
21 SERVICES WILL BE THE KEY TO RESHAPING AND DEVELOPING A
22 SUSTAINABLE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

25



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1 **DEANDRE VALENCIA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DEANDRE VALENCIA.
2 GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M SORRY. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME TESTIFY
3 TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES AND VENTURA COUNTY CHAPTER
4 OF THE BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
5 THE BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTS ABOUT 1,100
6 MEMBER COMPANIES AND RESPECTIVE EMPLOYEES IN THE BUSINESS OF
7 BUILDING HOMES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE TODAY TO GIVE
8 SUPPORT TO THE REGIONAL ONE-STOP DEVELOPMENT CENTER. I BELIEVE
9 HAVING THE D.R.P. IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
10 WORKS, WHICH IS ALREADY IN ALHAMBRA, IS A GREAT IDEA. IN DOING
11 SO, WE CAN MINIMIZE CURRENT RED TAPE AND REGULATORY BARRIERS
12 ON THE ENTITLEMENT PROCESS. IT WOULD ALSO HELP LOWER HOUSING
13 PRODUCTION COSTS AND INCREASE THE SUPPLY BY ELIMINATING
14 BARRIERS TO TIMELY AND EFFICIENT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. THAT
15 BEING SAID, WE ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER MOVING
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO THE FACILITY LOCATED IN
17 ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS,
22 REALLY QUICK. I APPRECIATE THE ARGUMENT THAT YOU MADE,
23 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I WAS ACTUALLY LISTENING TO SOME OF THE
24 WORDS. YOU MENTIONED PROBLEMS WITH THE PUBLIC WOULD HAVE,
25 PROBLEMS THE STAFF WOULD HAVE. AND I'M TRYING TO THINK INTO



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1 WHICH CATEGORY STAKEHOLDERS WOULD FALL. WOULD THEY BE MEMBERS
2 OF THE PUBLIC, OR WOULD THEY BE MEMBERS OF THE STAFF, BECAUSE
3 ESSENTIALLY A COMPANY TELLS ITS WORKERS, WE'RE GOING TO
4 RELOCATE. LIKE I THINK TOYOTA SAID WE'RE GOING TO RELOCATE TO
5 TEXAS. SO WE'LL MAKE PLANS 2, 3 YEARS DOWN THE HIGHWAY TO
6 RELOCATE TO TEXAS. PEOPLE DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE A CHANCE TO
7 SAY, YOU KNOW WHAT, I'M GOING TO HAVE SOME PROBLEMS GOING TO
8 TEXAS, BECAUSE I HAVE SOME OTHER THINGS THAT I'M INVOLVED IN.
9 YOU EITHER GO OR YOU DON'T GO. ESSENTIALLY THAT'S WHAT THE
10 COMPANY SAYS. AND IF YOU'RE A STAKEHOLDER IN THE COMPANY, THEN
11 YOU PROBABLY END UP GOING. BUT IF YOU'RE NOT A STAKEHOLDER IN
12 THE COMPANY, YOU MIGHT SAY, NO, I'M NOT GOING TO LEAVE. SO,
13 WHO DO YOU -- I MEAN, THIS IS FISH OR CUT BAIT TIME. ARE YOU
14 SERVING THE PUBLIC OR ARE YOU SERVING THE EMPLOYEES? I HAVE A
15 LOT OF EMPATHY FOR THE EMPLOYEES THAT WORK FOR THE COUNTY,
16 BECAUSE THEY GET IT FROM ALL ENDS. BUT THEN ON THE OTHER PART
17 OF IT, I SEE WHAT THE PUBLIC GETS, AND IN SPITE OF WHAT WAS
18 TALKED ABOUT AS FAR AS FILL UNFUNDED POSITIONS OR UNFUNDED
19 FILLED POSITIONS AND THE LIKE OF THAT, THE PUBLIC GETS A LOT
20 OF BILLS THAT THE ELECTED OFFICIALS NEVER SEEM TO PAY FOR, AND
21 THIS IS JUST ANOTHER ONE OF THEM. SO BESIDES WHO YOUR
22 STAKEHOLDERS ARE, WHETHER THEY'RE THE STAFF OR THE PUBLIC WILL
23 HELP YOU MAKE THE DECISION.
24



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES OUR PUBLIC SPEAKERS.
2 THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D MOVE THE ITEM AS AMENDED TO QUICKER IF
5 POSSIBLE AT LEAST UP TO 30 DAYS MAX. AND THAT STILL BRINGS IT
6 IN UNDER THE MID-JUNE.

7

8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THERE IS NO OBJECTION. THAT ITEM IS MOVED.
9 IS THERE A SECOND?

10

11 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** ONE QUESTION. WHEN IS THE LEASE? WHEN
12 DO THEY HAVE TO HAVE IT SIGNED?

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** JUNE 15TH.

15

16 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT IS THE MEETING? SO IN 30 DAYS
17 WOULD BE WHICH BOARD MEETING IS THAT?

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** IT WOULD BE THE END OF MAY.

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21 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MAY 24TH IS THE LAST, OR MAY 31ST.

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23 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** PROBABLY MAY 31ST WOULD BE THE LAST
24 MEETING.

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THE 30TH IS A HOLIDAY.

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3 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THE 30TH IS THE HOLIDAY. YOU'RE CORRECT.
4 THE 31ST IS THE AFTERNOON MEETING.

5

6 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO I WOULD SAY CONTINUE IT TO THE
7 WEEK PRIOR TO THAT.

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9 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THE 24TH?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, NOT A PROBLEM.

12

13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MAY 24TH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** MAY 24TH.

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17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT ITEM, AS AMENDED BEFORE US,
18 WITH THAT CAVEAT. OKAY. VERY GOOD IT'S BEEN MOVED. SECONDED.
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION,
20 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER AS AMENDED. GOOD. OKAY. MEMBERS, WE'RE
21 GETTING THROUGH THIS. WE HAVE SPECIAL ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENTS.
22 WE START WITH DISTRICT 1.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DISTRICT 1?

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OH. I MADE A MISTAKE. I HAVE IT 1 HERE.

2 IT'S OKAY. DO YOU WANT TO GO? HOW MANY DO YOU HAVE?

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE. THAT'S FINE.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO, BECAUSE I HAVE THREE.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, WOULD YOU
9 PLEASE JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF HATTIE MARIE BABB.

10 HATTIE, MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, AUNT, SISTER, FRIEND, AND BORN

11 THE MONTH OF MARCH 1952 IN LOS ANGELES. HER PARENTS WERE ROMAN

12 KEY AND GOLDY KEY. ROMAN WAS FROM TAMPA, FLORIDA, AND GOLDY

13 WAS FROM MARTINVILLE, LOUISIANA. SHE WAS THE YOUNGEST OF FOUR

14 SIBLINGS. SHE ATTENDED HOLY CROSS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. SHE

15 GRADUATED FROM BISHOP CONATY HIGH SCHOOL AND SHE SPENT TWO

16 YEARS AT L.A.C.C. SHE STUDIED BUSINESS. LATER SHE BEGAN HER

17 CAREER IN CUSTOMER SERVICE AND WORKED OVER 30 YEARS FOR

18 VARIOUS COMPANIES, SUCH AS BLUE CHIP STAMPS, FOR THOSE OF US

19 WHO REMEMBER BLUE CHIP, AND -- THAT'S RIGHT -- AND TELETECH.

20 AND THEN FINALLY A.A.A. GUTSY, COURAGEOUS, WILLING TO STAND UP

21 FOR WHATEVER CAUSE SHE FOUND TO BE IMPORTANT, NOT SHY ABOUT

22 EXPRESSING HER SENTIMENTS, PRESIDENT AND MEMBER OF THE WEST

23 ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, MEMBER OF THE JOINT BOARDS

24 ARTICULATION COMMISSION, MEMBER OF THE UNITED COMMUNITY

25 ASSOCIATION, AND INSPECTOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY



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1 REGISTRAR OF VOTERS. AND SHE STOOD UP AND PUSHED FOR SAFE
2 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXPO LINE PHASE 1, AND SHE LIVED HER
3 LIFE WITH A SENSE OF PURPOSE AND INTENTIONALITY. SHE HELPED
4 PLANT TREES ALONG JEFFERSON BOULEVARD WITH THE PREVIOUS
5 ADMINISTRATIONS IN CITY HALL. SHE KNEW EXACTLY HOW TO APPROACH
6 THE RIGHT PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT TO BUILD TRUSTFUL
7 RELATIONSHIPS, AND HER LEGACY OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT WILL
8 ALWAYS BE VALUED AND REMEMBERED. SHE LEAVES BEHIND TO CHERISH
9 HER MEMORY HER SISTER JACQUELINE, HER DAUGHTERS ERIN AND
10 ERICA, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE NEPHEW AND A HOST OF FAMILY
11 AND FRIENDS OF WHOM I CONSIDER MYSELF TO BE ONE. SHE WAS A
12 CHILDHOOD FRIEND OF MINE, AND PLEASED TO HAVE KNOWN HER.
13 MADAME CHAIR, IF YOU'LL PERMIT ME TO ADJOURN ROBERT H.
14 MCNEILL, JR. BORN -- PASSED ON APRIL 17TH AT THE AGE OF 75.
15 GRADUATED FROM VIRGINIA STATE UNION AND SOUTHWESTERN LAW. HE
16 WAS A DEPUTY COUNTY ASSESSOR FROM 1963 TO 1977 PRIOR TO BEING
17 ADMITTED TO THE STATE BAR IN 1979. MR. MCNEILL ALSO SERVED AS
18 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY -- I'M SORRY -- LOS ANGELES DEPUTY CITY
19 ATTORNEY AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY
20 BEFORE JOINING THE LAW FIRM OF IVIE AND MCNEIL, WHICH WAS IN
21 1980. HE REMAINED ACTIVE IN THAT FIRM UNTIL HIS DEATH. HE HELD
22 SEVERAL PUBLIC POSITIONS, INCLUDING BEING APPOINTED TO THE LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS. HE
24 SERVED FOR SOME 15 YEARS. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY
25 CAPITAL CASE FEE COMMITTEE FROM 1993 TO '98 AND WAS APPOINTED



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1 TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CALIFORNIA SCIENCE CENTER IN
2 EXHIBITION PARK. HE WAS ALSO APPOINTED AS A MEMBER OF THE LOS
3 ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM COMMISSION. WELL, HE WAS SELECTED AS
4 ONE OF THE TOP 100 ATTORNEYS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA BY THE
5 DAILY JOURNAL. HE RECEIVED SEVERAL OUTSTANDING AWARDS, AND HE
6 WAS INDUCTED INTO THE JOHN M. LANGSTON BAR ASSOCIATION HALL OF
7 FAME LAST YEAR AND WAS SELECTED AS ONE OF L.A.'S MOST
8 INFLUENTIAL AFRICAN-AMERICANS BY THE LOS ANGELES WAVE
9 MAGAZINE. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL AND DIVERSE
10 LAW CAREER AND HIS PUBLIC SERVICE. HE IS SURVIVED BY A HOST OF
11 FAMILY AND FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY
12 AT LARGE, BUT PARTICULARLY THE LEGAL PROFESSION. MADAME CHAIR
13 AND COLLEAGUES, ROBERT H. MCNEILL, JR.

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15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
16 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
19 WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TONI GRANT, WHO DIED
20 MARCH 27TH. HE WAS AMONG THE EARLY VOICES IN RADIO PSYCHOLOGY,
21 MADE HER ON AIR DEBUT IN 1975 ON K.A.B.C. A.M. GRAVEYARD
22 SHIFT. SHE WAS ON THE AIR FROM 1975 TO 1990 AND TACKLED MANY
23 OF THE SOCIAL ISSUES OF THE DAY, SOMETIMES IN WAYS WE LIKED,
24 SOMETIMES IN WAYS WE DISAGREED WITH, SUCH AS THE RISE IN
25 DIVORCE AND THE CHANGING DATING SCENE. SHE INSPIRED A



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1 CHARACTER IN THE 1984 MOVIE CALLED "CHOOSE ME" THAT WAS PLAYED
2 BY GENEVIEVE BUJOLD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JOHN BELL
3 AND HER DAUGHTERS KIMBERLY WARNEKE AND COURTNEY RASPIN. AND I
4 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
5 ROBERT CIPRIANO GUTIERREZ, WHO DIED APRIL 2ND. HE WAS BORN AND
6 RAISED IN SYLMAR, POSSESSED MANY TALENTS AND PASSIONS, RANGING
7 FROM FILM MAKING TO COOKING. HE WAS A LOVER OF MUSIC, A
8 TALENTED PREMIER D.J., COMPOSER, AND ACCORDIAN PLAYER. HE WAS
9 LOVED BY HIS MANY COUSINS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS FOR HIS
10 KINDNESS AND PASSION FOR LIFE. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER,
11 VIRGINIA AHUMADA, HIS FATHER, RUSTY GUTIERREZ, HIS FIANCE,
12 JESSICA NOVELO, HIS BROTHERS ROBERT AND PAUL, AND HIS SISTER
13 JANICE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN
14 MEMORY OF MARGARET BLYE. MAGGIE BLYE DIED ON MARCH 24TH. SHE
15 STARRED IN MANY FILMS, INCLUDING THE OSCAR-NOMINATED FILM
16 "SUMMER AND SMOKE," "HOMBRE," "ASH WEDNESDAY," AND "THE
17 ITALIAN JOB," AND ALSO APPEARED IN MULTIPLE EPISODES OF "IN
18 THE HEAT OF THE NIGHT." JOINED THE ACADEMY OF MOTION PICTURE
19 ARTS AND SCIENCES IN 1968, WHERE SHE SERVED FOR MANY YEARS ON
20 THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM AWARD SCREENING COMMITTEE. SHE'S
21 SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, JUDY BLYE WILSON, AND HER BROTHER,
22 JOHN RICHARD BLYE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE
23 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STEVEN FEUER, WHO DIED ON APRIL 8TH.
24 TALENTED TEACHER, CHEF, ENTREPRENEUR AND ARTIST, HE WAS A
25 GRADUATE OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY, ACHIEVED THE CULINARY GRAND



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1 DIPLOME AT LE CORDON BLEU IN PARIS, EARNED A DEGREE IN MUSIC
2 COMPOSITION FROM CALARTS. IN 2014 HE WAS HONORED AS TEACHER OF
3 THE YEAR AT THE BERLITZ LANGUAGE SCHOOL IN SAN FRANCISCO,
4 WHERE HE TAUGHT ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE TO EVERYONE FROM
5 HIGH-LEVEL EXECUTIVES TO CURIOUS VISITORS. HE WAS ALSO THE
6 CREATOR OF DESPERATION BAKEHOUSE, A COMPANY MADE FAMOUS AMONG
7 SAN FRANCISCO FOOD FESTIVALS FOR ITS SAVORY SHIRT POCKET PIES.
8 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS HUSBAND, MARTIN VENEZKY, HIS MOTHER,
9 STELLA FEUER. HIS BROTHER BOB, AND HIS SECOND BROTHER, OUR
10 CITY ATTORNEY, MIKE FEUER. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
11 TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRED HAYMAN, THE ENTREPRENEUR
12 KNOWN AS THE "GODFATHER OF RODEO DRIVE," WHO DIED ON APRIL
13 14TH. FRED AND HIS BUSINESS PARTNER GEORGE GRANT OPENED
14 GIORGIO BEVERLY HILLS, THE VERY FIRST LUXURY BOUTIQUE ON RODEO
15 DRIVE BACK IN 1961, TRANSFORMED THE QUIET STREET INTO A
16 SOPHISTICATED FASHION DESTINATION. FROM 1989 TILL 2000, HE
17 SERVED AS THE FASHION COORDINATOR FOR THE ACADEMY AWARDS. IN
18 2011, HE WAS HONORED WITH A STAR ON THE RODEO DRIVE WALK OF
19 STYLE. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BETTY, AND HIS THREE
20 CHILDREN, CHARLES, ROBERT AND NICOLE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
21 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD MITCHELL MOSK,
22 JUSTICE OF THE CALIFORNIA COURT OF APPEAL, WHO DIED ON APRIL
23 17TH. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE WARREN COMMISSION STAFF
24 INVESTIGATING THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.
25 IN 1981, HE WAS NAMED AS A UNITED STATES JUDGE ON THE IRAN-



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1 UNITED STATES CLAIMS TRIBUNAL. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE
2 CHRISTOPHER COMMISSION, INVESTIGATING THE LOS ANGELES POLICE
3 DEPARTMENT IN 1991 AND CHAIRMAN OF THE MOTION PICTURE
4 CLASSIFICATION AND RATING ADMINISTRATION THAT PROVIDES
5 PARENTAL RATINGS FOR MOTION PICTURES, FROM '94 TO 2000. IN
6 2001 HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE CALIFORNIA COURT OF APPEAL. HE'S
7 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, SANDRA, DAUGHTER JULIE MORRIS, AND SON
8 MATTHEW MOSK. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN
9 IN MEMORY OF MELVIN EUGENE SALVAY. GENE SALVAY PASSED AWAY ON
10 APRIL 8TH. AT THE AGE OF 7, HE WITNESSED CHARLES LINDBERGH
11 LAND THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS AT THE AIRPORT IN KANSAS CITY,
12 AND IT INSPIRED HIS CAREER IN AIRPLANE DESIGN. WHEN A VERY
13 YOUNG MAN, HE DESIGNED AND BUILT ONE OF THE PREEMINENT HOME-
14 BUILT AIRCRAFT OF ITS DAY, THE SKY HOPPER, AND WENT ON TO
15 DESIGN THE NIFTY AIRPLANE, WHICH BECAME A STANDARD PRODUCTION
16 MODEL RENAMED THE VARGA KACHINA. HIS CAREER SPANNED THE GOLDEN
17 AGE OF AVIATION DESIGN AND INNOVATION. HE WORKED PRIMARILY ON
18 MILITARY AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING THE B.-1 BOMBER AND OVERSAW
19 DESIGN WORK FOR WHAT WOULD BECOME THE MERCURY SPACE CAPSULE.
20 HIS PROUDEST ACHIEVEMENT WAS THE DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURE
21 OF THE NORTH AMERICAN SABRELINER EXECUTIVE JET. HE WAS THE
22 FIRST JEWISH EMPLOYEE AT THE COMPANY AND MADE A POINT TO HIRE
23 MINORITY GROUPS WHO HAD BEEN DENIED WORK OPPORTUNITIES. AFTER
24 RETIRING FROM ROCKWELL, HE WORKED ON STEALTH TECHNOLOGY AND
25 SPACE VEHICLES. HE WAS A MEMBER OF VALLEY BETH SHALOM



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1 SYNAGOGUE, WHERE HE HAD HIS REGULAR SEAT AND NEVER MISSED A
2 SHABBAT SERVICE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN
3 IN MEMORY OF SAM BERMAN, WHO DIED AT THE AGE OF 92, DEDICATED
4 HIS CAREER TO HELPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. HE WORKED AT
5 RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS IN CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS AND
6 SERVED AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE CHILD WELFARE LEAGUE OF
7 AMERICA IN NEW YORK. WHILE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF VISTA DEL MAR
8 CHILD SERVICES IN LOS ANGELES, HE RECEIVED THE KOSHLAND AWARD
9 FOR OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATOR OF A SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY IN
10 CALIFORNIA. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER JUDY. AND FINALLY, I
11 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A
12 FRIEND, DORIS ROBERTS, ACTRESS DORIS ROBERTS WHOSE REAL NAME
13 WAS MAY GREEN. SHE PLAYED THE NOSY AND OVERBEARING MOTHER TO
14 RAY ROMANO'S CHARACTER ON THE SITCOM "EVERYONE [SIC] LOVES
15 RAYMOND." DIED APRIL 17TH. THE ROLE EARNED HER FOUR EMMY
16 AWARDS, A SCREEN ACTORS GUILD AWARD, AND THREE EMMY
17 NOMINATIONS. SHE WAS A VETERAN CHARACTER ACTRESS FOR MORE THAN
18 60 YEARS AND APPEARED IN MANY T.V. SHOWS AND MOVIES, BEGAN IN
19 THE EARLY 1950S AND SOON GOT TV ROLES IN EPISODES OF "NAKED
20 CITY," "BEN CASEY," AND "THE DEFENDERS." AFTER HER FILM DEBUT
21 IN 1961'S "SOMETHING WILD," SHE APPEARED IN MORE THAN THREE
22 DOZEN MOVIES, INCLUDING "THE TAKING OF PELHAM 123" AND
23 "NATIONAL LAMPOON'S CHRISTMAS VACATION." BUT OF COURSE, SHE'S
24 BEST KNOWN FOR HER ROLE ON "EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND". SHE'S
25 SURVIVED BY HER SON, MICHAEL CANNATA, JR. THANK YOU.



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
3 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I HAVE A COUPLE OF
6 ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY, I JUST FOUND
7 OUT THIS MORNING, A GOOD FRIEND, JOHN ROMANO A LONGTIME FRIEND
8 FROM THE VALLEY WHO IS VERY ACTIVE IN THE OPTIMIST CLUB VAN
9 NUYS AND OTHERS, FORMER GOVERNOR OF THE OPTIMISTS. HE PASSED
10 AWAY, AND HIS ACTUAL SERVICES ARE TODAY. HE'S SURVIVED BY
11 FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND WILL BE DEARLY MISSED, AND WE WILL GET
12 YOU THE NECESSARY INFORMATION. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
13 OF MARGARET GRETCHEN BURBAGE, WHO WAS BORN IN MASSACHUSETTS
14 AND PASSED AWAY APRIL 14TH AT THE AGE OF 78. SHE GREW UP, WENT
15 TO ROGERS JUNIOR HIGH AND WILSON IN LONG BEACH, ROOSEVELT HIGH
16 SCHOOL IN HAWAII, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND. SHE MOVED TO
17 CALIFORNIA IN 1964, WHERE SHE LIVED THE REST OF HER LIFE. SHE
18 WAS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR OVER 20
19 YEARS. SHE LOVED GOLF AND WAS INVOLVED IN THE MONTEREY CLUB IN
20 PALM DESERT. SHE WAS WARM, LOVING, PATRIOTIC, LOYAL, GENUINE,
21 SIMPLE, BUT YET ELEGANT. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND
22 FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, DOUGLAS AND GOOD
23 FRIEND MARGARET AND THEIR SPOUSES, STEPCHILDREN, AND EXTENDED
24 FAMILY. I ALSO HAVE A READ-IN MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK FROM MYSELF
25 AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS. "REDUCING RECIDIVISM IS A KEY GOAL OF



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1 THE COUNTY TO EFFECTIVELY SERVE THOSE YOUTH AND ADULTS WHO ARE
2 DETERMINED TO BE AT HIGH RISK OF REINCARCERATION FROM RELEASE
3 OF THE COUNTY JAIL OR STATE PRISON. IN THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS,
4 THERE'S BEEN A MAJOR POLICY SHIFT TO THE SAFETY ARENA THAT
5 DEEMPHASISES INCARCERATION IN FAVOR OF AN INCREASING RELIANCE
6 ON COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF
7 INDIVIDUALS OF HIGH RISK OF REOFFENDING. THIS WOULD INCLUDE
8 THOSE AT HIGH RISK OF ON-GOING INVOLVEMENT IN VIOLENT GANG-
9 RELATED CRIME. WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED IS THAT MANY OF THEM HAVE
10 BEEN VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE SINCE CHILDHOOD AND HAVE BEEN
11 CONTINUALLY EXPOSED TO VIOLENCE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND
12 WITHIN THEIR OWN FAMILIES. NOT SURPRISINGLY, THEY HAVE SPENT
13 TIME IN THE COUNTY'S FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AS WELL AS OUR
14 JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES AND HAVE SIGNIFICANT SUBSTANCE
15 ABUSE ISSUES AND MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS RANGING FROM POST-
16 TRAUMATIC STRESS TO TOTAL DEPRESSION. IN ORDER TO BE
17 SUCCESSFUL IN ADDRESSING THESE COMPLEX ROOT CAUSES OF
18 VIOLENCE, ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS
19 SOUGHT OUT INNOVATIVE APPROACHES. IN LOOKING AT MODELS SUCH AS
20 HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES, WE LEARNED THAT MUCH OF THEIR SUCCESS IS
21 BASED ON THEIR ABILITY TO CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MOTIVATED
22 INDIVIDUALS TO SEEK OUT HELP ON THEIR OWN. UNFORTUNATELY,
23 WHILE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE, THIS IS A SERVICE TEMPLATE THAT
24 DOESN'T FIT NEATLY INTO THE TRADITIONAL REFERRAL-BASED MODELS
25 THAT THE COUNTY IS ACCUSTOMED TO ADMINISTERING. IN FEBRUARY OF



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1 2014, THIS BOARD DIRECTED THE C.E.O. AND PROBATION DEPARTMENT
2 TO EXPLORE A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH HOMEBOY IN ORDER TO
3 ACCELERATE THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO REDUCE THAT RECIDIVISM
4 AMONG PREVIOUSLY REINCARCERATED JUVENILES AND ADULT OFFENDERS.
5 AN EXTENSIVE REPORT FROM U.C.L.A. THAT STUDIED HOMEBOY'S
6 SERVICE MODEL VERIFIED THAT THEY ARE UNIQUE IN THEIR HOLISTIC
7 APPROACH TO REDUCING RECIDIVISM. THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT
8 REPORTED IN MAY OF 2015 THAT SUCH A PARTNERSHIP COULD BE
9 FUNDED VIA THE GRANT UTILIZING S.B.6078 FUNDS AND POSSIBLY
10 OTHER FUNDING SOURCES. IN ADDITION, WE BELIEVE THERE ARE ARE
11 OTHER EFFECTIVE SERVICE APPROACHES THAT DO NOT FIT NEATLY INTO
12 THE COUNTY'S REFERRAL-BASED MODEL BUT THAT NONETHELESS SHOULD
13 BE IDENTIFIED AND SUPPORTED. IN NOVEMBER OF 2014, ON A MOTION
14 BY MYSELF AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE BOARD DIRECTED THE
15 C.E.O. TO WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT
16 AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO IDENTIFY AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF MULTI-
17 YEAR FUNDING AND DEVELOP A COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS THAT
18 UTILIZES THE ELEMENTS OF RESEARCH-BASED BEST PRACTICE MODELS
19 TO ADDRESS BEHAVIOR CHANGE IN PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED MEN,
20 WOMEN, AND HIGH-RISK YOUTH SEEKING RE-ENTRY SERVICES. THE
21 PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS VERIFIED THAT THAT FUNDING IS
22 AVAILABLE UNDER S.B.678 AND CAN BE UTILIZED FOR THIS PURPOSE
23 ALONG WITH OTHER POSSIBLE FUNDING SOURCES. SO WE THEREFORE
24 MOVE THAT THE BOARD REQUEST THAT THE INTERIM CHIEF PROBATION
25 OFFICER WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE C.E.O., THE INTERIM



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1 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY, AND COUNTY
2 COUNSEL TO UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING INITIATIVES SIMULTANEOUSLY
3 AND IN PARALLEL. ONE, TO RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH A PROPOSED
4 CONTRACT FOR HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES FOR UP TO 12 MONTHS UTILIZING
5 S.B.678 COMMUNITY CORRECTION PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE FUNDING,
6 ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE FUNDING STREAMS IN SUPPORT OF THEIR
7 ANTI-RECIDIVISM PROGRAM, INCLUDING CORRESPONDING OUTCOME-BASED
8 PERFORMANCE MEASURES THAT INCORPORATE A RANGE OF EVIDENCE-
9 BASED INTERVENTIONS IN A ONE-STOP, EASY, ACCESSIBLE SETTING.
10 AND, TWO, DEVELOP A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION UTILIZING S.B.678
11 FUNDS AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE FUNDING STREAM THAT IS, ONE,
12 A, OPEN TO ANY ORGANIZATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO
13 HOMEBOY, AND, B, TO BE EVALUATED BASED ON AN ORGANIZATION'S
14 EFFECTIVENESS IN PROVIDING SERVICES THAT ADDRESS BEHAVIOR
15 CHANGE IN PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED MEN, WOMEN, AND TRANSITION-
16 AGE YOUTH SEEKING RE-ENTRY AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICE AND REPORT
17 BACK IN 45 DAYS." THAT IS FOR NEXT WEEK. THANK YOU, MADAME
18 CHAIR.

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20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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23 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
24 IN MEMORY TODAY OF JACQUES YEAGER, FORMER U.C. REGENT AND
25 CONSTRUCTION BUSINESSMAN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94.



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1 SERVED DURING WORLD WAR II WITH THE UNITED STATES NAVY,
2 PRESIDENT OF E.L. YEAGER CONSTRUCTION, ONE OF CALIFORNIA'S
3 LARGEST CONTRACTORS. HIS FIRM WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BUILDING
4 OF PART OF THE HISTORIC ROUTE 66, THE I-15 INTERSTATE, AND THE
5 91 FREEWAY. IN 2011 HIS FIRM WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE CALIFORNIA
6 STATE ASSEMBLY FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE'S INLAND
7 HIGHWAYS BY NAMING 15-60 INTERCHANGE AFTER HIS COMPANY. HE
8 SERVED AS A REGENT ON THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BOARD OF
9 REGENTS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN AND SERVED UNTIL
10 1994. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS NINE CHILDREN. NICHOLAS NAPOLITANO
11 WORKED FOR THE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR, PASSED AWAY AT
12 THE AGE OF 72. HE WAS ALSO IN THE ARMY RESERVE, FOUNDING
13 MEMBER OF PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN, ANTELOPE VALLEY
14 CHAPTER, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DIANE, AND SON AND DAUGHTER AND
15 FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. OLD TIME FRIEND, PEGGY ROACH HAND, PASSED
16 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74 ON APRIL 9TH. SHE HAD ATTENDED
17 UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,
18 RECEIVED HER LAW DEGREE AT WEST LOS ANGELES LAW SCHOOL,
19 EMPLOYED BY THE LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE AS AN ATTORNEY, AND
20 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS. AND THAT'S THE DAUGHTER OF HAL
21 ROACH WHO DID SO MUCH WITH THE MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY AND
22 WITH LAUREL AND HARDYS AND ALL THE GREAT ACTORS AND ACTRESSES.
23 I'LL JUST JOIN IN WITH RICHARD MOSK ADJOURNMENT. HE WAS ALSO A
24 FRIEND, AND HIS FATHER BECAME A FRIEND IN HIS LATER YEARS WHEN
25 HE LEFT THE COURT. AND HE WAS, AS SAID, INVOLVED WITH THE



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1 JUDICIAL COMMITTEE AND ALSO WITH THE MOTION PICTURE RATING.
2 DAMON BINGHAM PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE -- PASSED AWAY ON APRIL
3 12TH. HE EARNED HIS DEGREE FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY,
4 LOS ANGELES. HE HAD A SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN THE ENTERTAINMENT
5 INDUSTRY. HE PRODUCED A CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED DOCUMENTARY, "ONE
6 NIGHT IN VEGAS" AND THE SONY CLASSICS FILM "TYSON." SURVIVED
7 BY HIS WIFE, FATHER AND HIS BROTHER AND SISTER. JOHN SHURA,
8 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 69, RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA
9 VALLEY, SERVED IN THE ARMY AND THEN WITH THE SOUTHERN
10 CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY. HE WAS ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY,
11 VOLUNTEERING AT BOTH HENRY MAYO HOSPITAL AND THE CASTAIC
12 ANIMAL SHELTER. CHARLIE SHARAR, JR., LONG TIME RESIDENT OF
13 SANTA CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91, RETIRED AS A
14 MAJOR IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND HE THEN HAD A
15 SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN REAL ESTATE. OSAMU "SAM" FUJIKAWA, WORLD
16 WAR II VETERAN, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. HE SERVED IN THE
17 UNITED STATES' ARMY'S 442ND INFANTRY REGIMENT. SURVIVED BY HIS
18 WIFE, TWO CHILDREN, AND ONE GRANDCHILD, AND WAS QUITE ACTIVE
19 IN THE COMMUNITY. PEGGY MCKNIGHT, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE
20 ANTELOPE VALLEY. CERTIFIED JAZZercise INSTRUCTOR AND TAUGHT
21 CLASSES IN LANCASTER, PALMDALE, AND BAKERSFIELD. SURVIVED BY
22 HER HUSBAND AND FIVE CHILDREN. VIRGILLIA POPE PASSED AWAY AT
23 THE AGE OF 95, WHERE SHE WAS A RETIRED EDUCATOR FROM THE
24 PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL, HAD BEEN ACTIVE IN THE PALMDALE WOMEN'S
25 CLUB, KIWANIS CLUB. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, 9



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1 GRANDCHILDREN, 18 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND 8 GREAT-GREAT
2 GRANDCHILREN. LILLIAN WEHUNT, A 60-YEAR RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE
3 VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87, ACTIVE IN HER CHURCH AND
4 COMMUNITY, SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND CHARLES, WHO WAS ACTIVE IN
5 THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY, AND BY HER THREE CHILDREN. ED SNIDER,
6 WHO WAS CHAIRMAN OF COMCAST SPECTACOR, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
7 OF 83. HE HAD BEEN OWNER OF THE PHILADELPHIA 76ERS BASKETBALL
8 TEAM AND THE WELLS FARGO CENTER AND HE FOUNDED THE
9 PHILADELPHIA FLYERS HOCKEY TEAM. HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE
10 HOCKEY HALL OF FAME AND THE JEWISH SPORTS HALL OF FAME, AND HE
11 WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDING CONTRIBUTORS OF THE AYN RAND INSTITUTE
12 -- THE AUTHOR OF "ATLAS SHRUGGED" AND "ANTHEM" AND QUITE A FEW
13 OTHERS. ED SNIDER IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LIN AND HIS
14 CHILDREN, JAY, CRAIG AND LINDY, TINA, SARENA, AND SAMUEL.
15 LIEUTENANT JOHN MACIS, A RETIRED LIEUTENANT FROM THE COUNTY
16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WAS ALSO RETIRED FROM THE COMMERCIAL
17 CRIMES BUREAU AND ARSON EXPLOSIVES UNIT. LOUIS PORTESI, JR., A
18 RETIRED CAPTAIN FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, SERVED IN THE
19 UNITED STATES NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II AND HE ALSO RETIRED
20 FROM THE COMMERCIAL CRIMES BUREAU. MICHAEL BAILEY, RETIRED
21 DEPUTY, ALSO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, AND HE WAS
22 RETIRING FROM THE NORTH COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IN MARCH
23 OF 2001. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS. I WAS GOING TO
24 HAVE, AS WAS STATED, I ASKED DR. KATZ TO GIVE THAT SUCCINCT
25 SUMMATION RELATIVE TO HOW WE ARE TREATING THE MENTALLY ILL



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1 WITH THE NEW CONSOLIDATION WITH HEALTH WITH THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND
3 THERE WAS A GREAT PRESENTATION THAT HE DID IN SENATOR
4 FEINSTEIN'S OFFICE WITH ALL OF US. AND I WANTED HIM TO GIVE IT
5 BEFORE THE BOARD SO IT'S ON TELEVISION SO PEOPLE CAN
6 UNDERSTAND THIS ISSUE AND THE COMPLEXITY AND HOW WE'RE LOOKING
7 TO SOLVE IT. AND HE PREFERS TO TALK NEXT WEEK WHEN HE HAS HIS
8 AGENDA. WE'LL ASK THAT QUESTION, BECAUSE IT SHOWED PURE
9 LEADERSHIP AND CONSTRUCTIVE THINKING ON HIS PART HOW WE COULD
10 MAKE THIS SYSTEM WORK. AND THEN, I'M GOING TO ASK OUR COUNSEL
11 ABOUT OUR COURT HEARING THIS WEEK RELATIVE TO THE ALISO CANYON
12 LEAK, BUT JUST TO SHARE AGAIN THESE LETTERS COME IN. I'VE BEEN
13 SHARING WITH MY COLLEAGUES AND COUNTY COUNSEL. THIS ONE FROM
14 WING DUPONT. HE WROTE ON MONDAY IN THE MORNING, "I'M A PORTER
15 RANCH RESIDENT WITH THREE KIDS. I HAVE BEEN RELOCATED TO SIMI
16 VALLEY MARRIOTT FOR THE PAST FIVE MONTHS. I'VE BEEN VERY
17 PATIENT TO DEAL WITH THE GAS LEAK SINCE OCTOBER 2015. HOWEVER,
18 WE HAVE A BIG PROBLEM. NOW BECAUSE THE GAS COMPANY IS GOING TO
19 CUT OFF OUR HOTEL ON NEXT MONDAY, TODAY -- OR YESTERDAY, AND
20 THEY ONLY OFFER APARTMENT IN DOWNTOWN L.A., WHICH IS ABOUT 50-
21 MILE ROUND-TRIP FOR US, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR US FOR THREE KIDS
22 IN TWO DIFFERENT SCHOOLS TO STAY IN DOWNTOWN L.A. I WENT HOME
23 ON THE WEEKEND, AND MY DAUGHTER HAD A STOMACH ACHE AND
24 DIARRHEA LAST NIGHT. I HAVE A RASH SINCE NOVEMBER 2015, AND IT
25 NEVER GO AWAY. I'M NOT SURE WHAT TO DO." ANOTHER ONE WAS FROM



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1 JACOB RAVEL. "I HAVE SENT MANY EMAILS." HE SENT THIS TO
2 GILLIAN OF THE GAS COMPANY. "I SENT MANY EMAILS REGARDING MY
3 REIMBURSEMENT. PAULA MARTELL IS ON MEDICAL LEAVE. LISA MCNAIR
4 IS NOT RETURNING EMAILS AND SO FORTH. IF I DON'T GET A
5 RESPONSE SOON, I WILL CONTINUE TO GO UP THE CHAIN OF EMAILS
6 UNTIL SOMEONE CAN ASSIST ME. I HAVE ALSO C.C.'D
7 REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SO THAT THEY ARE AWARE OF
8 MY EFFORTS TO COMMUNICATE AND GET A RESPONSE. COULD YOU PLEASE
9 GIVE ME AN UPDATE ON MY MEAL AND MILES REIMBURSEMENTS? I'VE
10 NOT RECEIVED A SINGLE ONE FOR MILES AND THE LAST MEAL
11 REIMBURSEMENT COVERED ONLY UNTIL FEBRUARY 22ND. WHAT ABOUT THE
12 REMAINING DAYS IN FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL? PLEASE UPDATE. I
13 HAVE SUBMITTED NUMEROUS EMAILS AND VISITED THE CENTER FOUR
14 TIMES. I CAN UNDERSTAND A FEW DAYS LATE, BUT THIS IS OVER TWO
15 MONTHS. IF YOU ARE NOT THE RIGHT PERSON TO CONTACT, PLEASE
16 REFER ME TO THE RIGHT PERSON. I HAVE C.C.'D THE PEOPLE BELOW."
17 AND THE LAST ONE WAS FROM CORINA. SHE SAYS, "HELLO. I JUST GOT
18 OFF THE PHONE WITH MY RELOCATION COMPANY AFTER GETTING A CALL
19 FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. TO DATE, NEITHER I NOR THE
20 RELOCATION COMPANY HAVE ANY RELOCATION INFORMATION. WHILE WE
21 RECEIVED AN EMAIL FROM THE GAS COMPANY STATING THAT WE HAD
22 OPTIONS FOR RELOCATION AND WE'D RECEIVE A CALL FROM THE
23 RELOCATION COMPANY, NO SUCH THING HAS OCCURRED. I WORK TWO
24 JOBS, GO TO SCHOOL. I NEED TO KNOW WHAT TO DO. ALSO, WE HAVE
25 TWO DOGS AND STUFF THAT NEEDS TO BE MOVED WITH A RENTED CAR,



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1 SINCE WE LIVED IN A HOTEL FOR FOUR MONTHS. PLEASE PROVIDE
2 INFORMATION A.S.A.P. ON HOW AND WHERE WE ARE TO MOVE. PLEASE
3 NOTE, THIS IS MY SECOND ATTEMPT AT CONTACT SINCE THE FIRST ONE
4 WAS IGNORED. SO THIS GOES ON AND ON AND ON. I JUST FEEL SO
5 FRUSTRATED." SO, WE GO TO COURT THIS WEEK. COULD YOU UPDATE US
6 ON THAT?

7

8 **LARRY HAFETZ:** SUPERVISOR, YES. THIS IS ACTUALLY ON C.S.-1 IN
9 CLOSED SESSION. WE WILL BE UPDATING YOU ON THE STATUS OF THE
10 LITIGATION AS WELL AS YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THESE CONSTITUENTS.

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12 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE DATE OF THE COURT DATE THIS
13 WEEK?

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15 **LARRY HAFETZ:** IS TOMORROW. THE DATE OF THE COURT DATE IS
16 TOMORROW, APRIL 27TH, 2:00, ACROSS THE WAY.

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18 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AT THE MOSK COURT?

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20 **LARRY HAFETZ:** THAT'S RIGHT.

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22 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND DO YOU KNOW WHAT DIVISION?

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24 **LARRY HAFETZ:** IT'S IN ROOM 22, AND THE JUDGE IS..

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** IS IT WILEY?

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3 **LARRY HAFETZ:** YEAH, JUDGE WILEY.

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5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THANK YOU. OKAY,

6 LAST BUT NOT LEAST. WE STILL HAVE, YES WE DO. NO, IT WASN'T.

7 WE DECIDED IT WILL BE BROUGHT UP UNDER CLOSED SESSION. ITEM

8 YOU CAN SPEAK ON. YOU CAN SPEAK ON. ATTORNEY? COUNSEL? LARRY?

9 CLARIFY FOR THE GENTLEMAN.

10

11 **LARRY HAFETZ:** SUPERVISOR, YES, HE CAN, SINCE WE JUST HAD THAT

12 DISCUSSION. THAT'S CORRECT. HE SIGNED UP WITH THE OTHER ITEMS.

13 WE JUST -- SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WAS ASKING SOME QUESTIONS ON

14 C.S.-1., WHICH I WAS RESPONDING TO.

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BECAUSE HE'S HOLDING IT SPECIAL. I MEAN, YOU

17 MOVED IT. IT WAS A SPECIAL ITEM. ARNOLD SACHS.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** WE DIDN'T ASK YOU FOR COMMENT.

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IT WAS A SPECIAL ITEM. YOU MOVED IT TO CLOSED

22 SESSION. NOW YOU'RE DISCUSSING IT IN SPECIAL ITEMS. IT'S

23 REALLY VERY SIMPLE.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU'RE SIMPLE.



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THE CLOCK ON? IS THE CLOCK ON? COME ON.
3 GO AHEAD. LET HIM SPEAK. [OFF MIC DISCUSSION.]

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EVERY TIME HE HAS IT ON HIS AGENDA, HE ASKS A
6 QUESTION FROM A DEPARTMENT HEAD OR THE COUNTY. SO IF HE DOES
7 THAT, HE OPENS IT UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT. IT'S NOT REALLY
8 DIFFICULT. THIS ISN'T BRAIN SURGERY. AND I APPRECIATE THE FACT
9 THAT HE READS THESE LETTERS FROM ALL THESE DISGRUNTLED
10 INDIVIDUALS. BUT THEN WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT THIS ITEM IN
11 REALITY, YOU COULD SAY "YOU KNOW, THERE WERE 10,000 HOMES
12 BUILT AT PORTER RANCH. SO, LET'S JUST LOOK AT THIS
13 MATHEMATICALLY-WISE. HALF A MILLION DOLLARS EACH. SOMEBODY
14 JUST WROTE A STORY ABOUT THE COST OF HOMES THERE ARE ABOUT
15 \$600,000. BUT LET'S SAY HALF A MILLION DOLLARS. SO LET'S DO
16 SOME MATH AND LET'S DIVIDE THOSE 10,000 HOMEOWNERS INTO 5,000
17 HOMEOWNERS AND SAY EACH HOME WAS A MILLION DOLLARS. SO YOU
18 HAVE 5,000 HOMES AT A MILLION DOLLARS IS \$5 BILLION. AND TO
19 SAY THAT THE COUNTY HAS NO IDEA ABOUT THE GAS LEAK OR ANY OF
20 THE PROBLEMS IN A \$5 BILLION INVESTMENT, THIS DOESN'T ADD UP.
21 SO YOU CAN READ ALL THE STORIES YOU WANT ABOUT THE
22 INDIVIDUALS, BUT YOU AT LEAST SHOULD STEP UP AND SAY, YOU KNOW
23 WHAT? WE PUT YOU IN HARM'S WAY. WE DID IT FOR THE MONEY.
24 BECAUSE THIS IS A HUGE FACILITY. IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN FULLY
25 DEVELOPED. AND IS ALREADY \$5 BILLION INVESTED IN IT AT A



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1 MINIMUM. AND FOR YOU TO IGNORE THOSE KIND OF FACTS AND JUST
2 PLAY THIS HIDE AND SEEK OR HIDE THE PEA UNDER THE CUP BECAUSE
3 YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR SOME ABUSIVE TALK ABOUT HOW A WONDERFUL
4 JOB YOU'RE DOING IN LEADING THE COUNTY? WELL, [OFF MIC
5 COMMENT.]

6

7 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I HATE TO ALWAYS CORRECT YOU, BUT
8 THIS IS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THE COUNTY DID NOT BUILD THE
9 HOMES. THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND AS
10 COUNTY COUNSEL REPORTED LAST -- COUPLE WEEKS AGO, THIS WAS NOT
11 PART OF THE E.I.R. THAT WENT BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OR OUR
12 UNDERSTANDING THE HOMEOWNERS WHO PURCHASED HOMES WERE NOT
13 AWARE OF THAT SITE. SO WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS GET JUSTICE
14 FOR THOSE POOR PEOPLE.

15

16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE DON'T CONDUCT COURT OUTSIDE OF THIS
17 PURVIEW HERE. SO, OKAY, I HAVE SOME ADJOURNMENTS. I HAVE ONE
18 ADJOURNMENT. I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE
19 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SEAN MICHAEL GESKE. SEAN GESKE WAS BORN
20 ON FEBRUARY 28, 1970 IN GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS AND PASSED
21 AWAY ON APRIL 20, 2016 AT THE AGE OF 46. HE RELOCATED TO
22 REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA AND GRADUATED FROM REDLANDS HIGH SCHOOL
23 IN 1988. HE WAS EMPLOYED BY THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY
24 FROM 1993 THROUGH 1997 AND BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN 1997. HE HAS WORKED



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1 VARIOUS ASSIGNMENTS IN THE DEPARTMENT, WITH HIS LAST
2 ASSIGNMENT SERVING AS THE OPERATIONS SERGEANT AT THE PICO
3 RIVERA STATION IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. HE ENJOYED CAMPING,
4 FISHING, WORKING OUT AND WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS WARMTH,
5 KINDNESS AND GENUINE CONCERN FOR OTHERS. HE ALSO LOVED
6 ANIMALS, ESPECIALLY HIS DOG DIESEL, AND HAD A DESIRE TO DO HIS
7 PART BY LEAVING THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL. HE IS
8 SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER MARY ANN, AND HIS FATHER CHARLES, HIS
9 SISTERS, TIFFANY, NINA, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS.
10 FRIENDS AND COWORKERS WILL GREATLY MISS HIM. AND LASTLY I'D
11 LIKE TO READ IN A MOTION, MEMBERS. I'D LIKE TO READ IN A
12 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MYSELF TO BE AGENDIZED AND
13 TAKEN UP NEXT WEEK. "LOS ANGELES COUNTY," AS YOU KNOW,
14 "OVERSEES ONE OF THE LARGEST JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS IN THE
15 UNITED STATES. THE COUNTY HAS UNDERTAKEN REGULAR MEASURES TO
16 BECOME A LEADER IN CALIFORNIA BY FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGING THE
17 WAY SAFETY IS PROVIDED AND MAINTAINED IN ITS THREE JUVENILE
18 HALLS AND 13 JUVENILE CAMPS WHICH HOLD APPROXIMATELY 1,200
19 YOUTH. AS VOLUMINOUS SCIENTIFIC STUDIES HAVE ESTABLISHED,
20 SOLITARY CONFINEMENT CAN BE PSYCHOLOGICALLY AND PHYSICALLY
21 HARMFUL TO YOUNG PEOPLE. IT RUNS COUNTER TO THE GOAL OF
22 REHABILITATION IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM. IN 2017, THE
23 COUNTY WILL REOPEN CAMP KILPATRICK AS A NEW SECURE RESIDENTIAL
24 SETTING UTILIZING THE L.A. MODEL. THIS MODEL IS PROJECTED TO
25 SPREAD TO ALL OF THE COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES IN



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1 THE FUTURE AND DOES NOT INCLUDE SOLITARY CONFINEMENT OR ANY
2 SPECIAL HOUSING UNIT. EARLIER THIS YEAR, PRESIDENT BARACK
3 OBAMA TOOK A SIMILAR STEP, BANNING RESTRICTIVE HOUSING FOR
4 JUVENILES IN THE FEDERAL PRISON SYSTEM, EXCEPT IN VERY RARE
5 SITUATIONS. RATHER THAN USING SOLITARY CONFINEMENT TO DEAL
6 WITH BEHAVIORAL ADJUSTMENTS OR CONFLICT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 SHOULD ACHIEVE SAFETY THROUGH RELATIONSHIP BUILDING, TRAUMA-
8 INFORMED CARE, POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, SMALL AND
9 THERAPEUTIC GROUP SETTINGS, HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION, AND
10 RELATIONAL APPROACH TO SUPERVISION AND AN INTEGRATED GROUP
11 TREATMENT MODEL. THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO END THE
13 PRACTICE OF PLACING JUVENILES IN RESTRICTIVE HOUSING. IN A
14 VERY RARE SITUATION, A JUVENILE MAY BE SEPARATED FROM OTHERS
15 AS A TEMPORARY RESPONSE TO BEHAVIOR THAT POSES A SERIOUS AND
16 IMMEDIATE RISK OF PHYSICAL HARM TO ANY PERSON. EVEN IN SUCH
17 CASES, THE PLACEMENT SHOULD BE BRIEF, DESIGNED AS A COOLDOWN
18 PERIOD AND DONE ONLY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH
19 PROFESSIONALS. WE FURTHER INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. AND PROBATION
20 DEPARTMENT TO CREATE NEW POLICIES, PROCEDURES, ENFORCEMENT
21 MECHANISMS, AND REPORTING STRUCTURES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT
22 THIS CHANGE. THIS CHANGE SHALL BE FULLY IMPLEMENTED AT THE
23 CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL, CAMP MCNAIR, CAMP SCOTT BY MAY 30TH OF
24 2016 AND ALL REMAINING JUVENILE FACILITIES BY SEPTEMBER 30TH
25 OF 2016. WE FINALLY INSTRUCT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND



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1 INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO IMMEDIATELY BEGIN REPURPOSING
2 OR RECONFIGURING ALL SPECIAL HANDLING UNITS TO ALTERNATIVE
3 PURPOSES, ONE OF WHICH COULD BE THE USE OF SOME SPACE TO
4 CREATE WHAT WE CALL COOL-DOWN AREAS, WHICH COULD BE RARELY
5 USED ONLY UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED ABOVE AND SHOULD
6 BE DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH ON-SITE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
7 FROM THE CENTER OF COORDINATED ASSISTANCE TO STATES." NEXT
8 WEEK, THANK YOU. NOW WE HAVE --

9

10 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** WE HAVE THE BALLOT TABULATION FROM
11 PUBLIC HEARING NUMBER 1. MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
12 BOARD, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST
13 EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ANNUAL
14 ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES
15 TRACT NO. 72444, L.038-2015, AND TRACT NUMBER 69468 TO COUNTY
16 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
17 DISTRICT L.L.A.-1 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AS A RESULT, IT
18 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION
19 APPROVING THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENT AND THE
20 JOINT RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY
21 TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF THE SUBDIVISION
22 OF THE TERRITORY. THIS MATTER IS BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT'S MOVED BY
25 SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE THE



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1 ORDER. OKAY. MEMBERS, NOW WE ARE GOING TO GO INTO PUBLIC
2 COMMENT, AND WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS THAT WOULD LIKE TO
3 ADDRESS THE BOARD. LET ME BEGIN BY FIRST CALLING UP RENATA
4 MARKLEY. I BELIEVE SHE SPOKE EARLIER. I DON'T KNOW THAT SHE'S
5 STILL HERE. SHE LEFT. AND ALSO DAVID MARKLEY? OKAY. I
6 UNDERSTAND THEY BOTH LEFT. THEY SPOKE EARLIER, ONE OF THEM
7 DID, ABOUT THE SEAL. WILLIAM FILION, PUBLIC COMMENT FROM
8 PALMDALE AND ARNOLD SACHS AND JOSE MARTINEZ. I'LL ASK YOU TO
9 COME UP. GO AHEAD, SIR. HAVE A SEAT. STATE YOUR NAME, SIR. GO
10 AHEAD.

11

12 **WILLIAM FILION:** I'LL GO AHEAD AND READ THIS. IT'S REGARDING
13 TAX, HOUSE TAXES. "HOUSE OF SHALOM IS A 501(C)(3) TAX-EXEMPT
14 NONPROFIT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION. JAN FILION IS PRESIDENT. I
15 AM OVERSEER. HOUSE OF SHALOM MINISTRY IS A TAX-EXEMPT
16 501(C)(3) CORPORATION, SOLE. I AM OVERSEER. JAN FILION DONATED
17 FIVE HOUSES TO HOUSE OF SHALOM FOR THE WORK OF THE LORD. WE AT
18 HOUSE OF SHALOM HAVE CONDUCTED GATHERINGS FOR HURTING PEOPLE
19 FOR MANY YEARS. WE HOUSE, FEED AND CLOTHE. THE COUNTY HAS
20 TAKEN ALL BUT ONE HOUSE. WE STARTED OUT WITH FIVE. THE PEOPLE
21 BELOW, YOU HAVE DONE EXCEEDINGLY WRONG. WE SAW WADI, A MAJOR
22 TAX EXEMPTION THAT CAN THROW OUR PAPERS IN THE WASTEBASKET. AN
23 EMPLOYEE THAT WAS SOON RETIRING TOLD US A FEW YEARS AGO THEY
24 WERE GOING TO TAKE ALL OUR PROPERTIES. HE TOOK A TERRIBLE RISK
25 AT INFORMING US. FOR FOUR YEARS, SHALOM HAS NOT BEEN



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1 REIMBURSED THE \$70,000 OVERAGE FROM AN ILLEGAL SALE AT 38536
2 DESERT VIEW DRIVE, PALMDALE. COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAVE DONE EVIL
3 AGAINST HOUSE OF SHALOM. MR. ANTONOVICH SAID HE WOULD HAVE IT
4 LOOKED INTO. LAST TUESDAY, YOU FOLKS WERE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.
5 I WENT UP TO THE EIGHTH FLOOR AND ANTONOVICH'S PEOPLE KNEW
6 NOTHING. IF YOU PEOPLE DO NOTHING ABOUT THIS EVIL, YOU BECOME
7 PART OF IT. JUDGMENT IS COMING. IS IT GOING TO COME ON YOU?
8 AND KATHY GLOSTER, ROOM 100, IS GOING TO SPEAK TO ME AFTER I
9 FINISH HERE. SHE SAID FOUR YEARS, MAYBE TOO MUCH TIME HAS GONE
10 BY."

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

13

14 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE DEPARTMENT
15 ARE LOOKING INTO THAT.

16

17 **WILLIAM FILION:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE IT, AND I'VE HELD YOU
18 IN HIGH ESTEEM FOR 25 TO 30 YEARS. I APPRECIATE YOU.

19

20 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** COUNSEL CAN ADD TO THAT AT THIS TIME.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

23



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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** BUT THEY ARE LOOKING INTO THAT. IT'S
2 A COMPLEX LEGAL ISSUE, THE PROBLEM IN TRYING TO GET THE DOTS
3 CONNECTED.

4

5 **WILLIAM FILION:** YES, SIR, IT IS COMPLEX. THERE'S FOUR HOUSES
6 THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM TAXES. THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE
7 MORMON CHURCH, I UNDERSTAND, PAY NO TAXES IN L.A. COUNTY OR
8 ANYWHERE.

9

10 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SOMEBODY COULD ASK COUNSEL.

11

12 **LARRY HAFETZ:** SUPERVISOR, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE SOMEONE SPEAK TO
13 HIM RIGHT NOW JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RIGHT PEOPLE ARE
14 LOOKING AT THIS A.S.A.P.

15

16 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** IF YOU WAIT AROUND THE SIDE, WE'LL
17 HAVE SOMEBODY SPEAK AND UPDATE YOU ON THIS. THANK YOU, SIR.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARNOLD SACHS.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
22 AND ACTUALLY PIGGYBACKING ON WHAT THE GENTLEMAN MENTIONED, HE
23 TALKED ABOUT TAXES, SO I THOUGHT I WOULD TAKE AN OPPORTUNITY
24 TO ALSO TALK ABOUT TAXES. THIS IS FROM SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD,
25 2016. IT REFERS TO "CITY-COUNTY POLLS VARY WIDELY." IT'S ABOUT



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1 THE HOMELESS PLANS THAT THE CITY AND THE COUNTY HAVE, THE
2 STRATEGIES THAT THEY'RE COMING UP WITH. AND I FOUND IT
3 FASCINATING TO READ THIS STORY. THE COUNTY'S IDEA MAY BE TO
4 HAVE A 5 PERCENT TAX INCREASE ON INCOME OVER \$1 MILLION, A
5 HALF-CENT SALES TAX INCREASE, A 15 PERCENT SALES TAX ON
6 MARIJUANA, AND A \$49 PARCEL TAX. THE SALES TAX RECEIVED 68
7 PERCENT OF THE SUPPORT AND THE MARIJUANA TAX RECEIVED 66
8 PERCENT OF THE SUPPORT IN THIS POLL. THE PROPERTY TAX FARED
9 LESS WELL WITH 47 PERCENT OF THE SUPPORT. THE PROJECTED
10 REVENUE THAT COULD BE RAISED BY A TAX MEASURE RANGED FROM \$243
11 MILLION A YEAR FROM THE INCOME TAX TO \$746 MILLION FOR A HALF-
12 CENT SALE TAX. NOW THAT CAUGHT MY ATTENTION. \$746 MILLION FROM
13 A HALF-CENT SALE TAX THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. JUST 10 YEARS, NOT
14 EVEN 10 YEARS AGO, 8 YEARS, MEASURE R, \$40 BILLION, \$1.333
15 MILLION A YEAR. SO WHICH IS IT? 746 OR 1.3333? 746 OR 1.3333?
16 SOMETIMES YOU FEEL LIKE A NUT, SOMETIMES YOU DON'T. IT'S
17 WHATEVER YOU SAY IT IS. SO YOU HAVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
18 YOU HAVE ALL THESE OTHER THINGS, AND YOU HAVE NUMBERS THAT RUN
19 FROM \$746 MILLION TO 1.3333. WHO SHALL WE BELIEVE? I KNOW. IT
20 WAS THE CITY.

21
22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE JACKIE NUTTING, ERIC PREVEN, JUDY
23 OLIVA.



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1 **JACKIE NUTTING:** GOOD AFTERNOON, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN AND ALSO
2 MADAME CHAIR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JACKIE NUTTING, AND I AM PRESIDENT OF
4 THE INSTITUTE FOR FAIR ELECTIONS. WE'RE A 501(C)(3), AND WHAT
5 WE DO IS WE WORK WITH VOTER REGISTRARS TO HELP THEM CLEAN
6 THEIR LISTS AND TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE -- HAVE MET THE
7 STANDARDS SET BY THE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT AS WELL
8 AS THE HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT. AND OF COURSE IN CALIFORNIA --
9 THANK YOU, TWO OF YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO GET THESE BUT YOU
10 DIDN'T GET THEM, BUT THAT'S OKAY. ANYWAY, I'M LOSING TIME
11 FAST, SO LET ME GO THROUGH THIS. TRADITIONALLY I GO TO THE
12 REGISTRAR DIRECTLY, BUT I'VE BEEN HAVING A DIFFICULT TIME
13 REACHING OUT TO YOUR REGISTRAR. WE'RE WORKING COWRNTLY WITH
14 THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTRAR AND ALSO WITH RIVERSIDE AND SAN
15 BERNADINO COUNTIES, WHO HAVE BEEN REALLY GREAT. WE'VE CLEANED
16 UP NOW A TOTAL OF OVER 500,000 REGISTRATIONS IN CALIFORNIA IN
17 RESPONSE TO THAT. I'M TRYING TO REACH OUT TO YOUR REGISTRAR
18 RELATED TO PART OF OUR FINDINGS. AND BY THE WAY, YOUR
19 REGISTRAR IS DOING A WONDERFUL JOB, WONDERFUL. BUT WHAT'S
20 GOING ON IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT
21 ARE SET FORTH IN THE LAWS, A LOT OF THINGS THAT THE REGISTRARS
22 WOULD NORMALLY FIND, THEY CAN'T FIND BECAUSE POLICY DOESN'T
23 ALLOW THEM TO DO WHAT WE DO. AND SO WHAT WE HAVE FOUND, I'LL
24 JUST ARE READ THESE REAL FAST IS PRESENTLY WE HAVE FOUND THAT
25 YOU HAVE 12,030 DUPLICATE REGISTRATIONS IN THE COUNTY, YOU



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1 HAVE 1,523 ILLEGAL VOTES THAT WERE CAST IN 2014 JUST BECAUSE
2 THESE WERE DUPLICATES WHO HAVE MULTIPLE REGISTRATIONS AND THEY
3 VOTED MORE THAN ONCE IN AN ELECTION. YOU HAVE 4,929
4 REGISTRANTS WHOSE BIRTH YEARS ARE BETWEEN 1850 AND 1915, WHICH
5 IS NOT POSSIBLE. AND THAT'S A MANDATED -- THAT'S MANDATED THAT
6 IT BE CORRECT. AND I'LL JUST FINISH OFF BY SAYING THAT YOU
7 ALSO HAVE OVER -- ALMOST A MILLION PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT VOTED
8 IN THE LAST TWO FEDERAL GENERAL ELECTIONS WHO SHOULD BE SENT
9 RESIDENCY CONFIRMATION CARDS. SO I'M TRYING TO REACH OUT TO
10 THE REGISTRAR. I HOPE YOU'LL HELP ME DO THAT.

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WE'RE IN
13 RECEIPT OF YOUR INFORMATION. ERIC PREVEN?

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, AND I WOULD LIKE TO
16 FOLLOW-UP A LITTLE BIT ON ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT I NOTICED
17 TODAY WAS A FOUR-VOTE ITEM, WHICH WAS ITEM 24 THAT YOU ALL
18 APPROVED THE NORWALK GOLF-COURSE SITUATION. IT'S IMPORTANT TO
19 UNDERSTAND THAT COUNTY GOLF IS A REVENUE-DRIVING OPERATION,
20 AND WE ARE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH VARIOUS ENTITIES. AND OVER THE
21 LAST MONTH, I HAVE TRIED DILIGENTLY TO RAISE AWARENESS TO THIS
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ABOUT VARIOUS ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING
23 YOU'LL REMEMBER, SEPTEMBER 15TH, ITEM 36, WHEN NEAR THE WEE
24 HOURS OF THE MEETING JUST LIKE THIS, SUPERVISOR KNABE HAD HIS
25 QUESTIONS ANSWERED ON ITEM 36, WHICH WAS A JOB-ORDER CONTRACT



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1 THAT ENUMERATED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF UPGRADES TO COUNTY GOLF
2 COURSES AROUND, INCLUDING EL CARISO, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, WHERE
3 YOU APPROVED LAST DECEMBER AND JANUARY 2015, DECEMBER AND
4 JANUARY 2016, A \$183,000 ITEM TIMES TWO. IT LOOKED VERY
5 SIMILAR BUT WERE DIFFERENT ALLOCATIONS FOR THE EL CARISO GOLF
6 COURSE. WE SAW RECENTLY A \$6.58 MILLION APPROPRIATION THAT
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE MADE AVAILABLE FOR LAKEWOOD FOR THEIR CART
8 BARN. \$2.2 MILLION WOULD COVER THE CART BARN COSTS. THIS IS AN
9 ASTONISHING AMOUNT OF MONEY. AND THEN TODAY, TO SPEND AN EXTRA
10 \$9.7 MILLION ON TOP OF THE 2-POINT SOMETHING FOR A TOTAL OF
11 \$13-SOMETHING MILLION TO \$77 MILLION, BUT, SIR, THE
12 APPROPRIATION FOR PARKS AND REC AT THE BACK IS FOR \$15 MILLION
13 TO GO INTO THAT POND OF ACTIVITIES THAT CAN BE DESCRIBED AS
14 COUNTY GOLF. THIS, GIVEN ALL OF THE REALITIES THAT WE ARE
15 FACING IN OUR PARKS AND REC CENTER AROUND THE COUNTY, THE
16 PARK-POOR IS APPALLING. AND NOT JUST THAT, BUT THE WHITTIER
17 GOLF COURSE IN YOUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WAS MANAGED BY
18 A GROUP CALLED VICO, WHO WE WERE IN A PROTRACTED LAWSUIT WITH,
19 AND THEN VICO MADE A RECOMMENDATION TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
20 THOMAS TO PUT PLENTITUDE, L.L.C., THAT MARY WICKHAM AND LARRY
21 HAFETZ BOTH FROZE WHEN WE ASKED WHO IS PLENTITUDE OR
22 PLENTITUDE, BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T EVEN SPELL THE L.L.C. RIGHT.
23 THIS SMELLS TO HIGH HEAVEN.
24



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE JUDY OLIVA, JOHN WALSH, OSCAR
2 MOHAMMED, JASON ZINC.

3

4 **OSCAR MOHAMMED:** MY NAME IS OSCAR MOHAMMED. I SPEAK FOR THE
5 POOR. I SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE POOR. I SPEAK
6 FOR THE OPPRESSED. BUT ANYWAY, I'D LIKE TO TO MAKE A SHORT
7 STATEMENT. I HEAR ABOUT THE TURKS IN THE ARMENIA GENOCIDE WHO
8 HAD A GENOCIDE LONG BEFORE THAT IN AFRICA. UNDER THE LAND OF
9 SPAIN WE CALLED BLACK SPAIN, THE MUSLIMS FROM AFRICA HAD THE
10 LAND FIRST. THE MUSLIMS TALKED TO EUROPEAN PEOPLE SPANISH.
11 SPANISH COME FROM ARABIC. AND THE MUSLIMS LET THE JEWS AND THE
12 CHRISTIANS LIVE UNDER THEIR AUTHORITY FOR 7 CENTURIES, MEANS
13 700 YEARS IN PEACE, UNTIL ONE GENERATION CAME UP AND DECIDE TO
14 ELIMINATE THE 6 MILLION MUSLIMS WITH THE POOR. NOW TODAY THE
15 CATHOLIC RULES SPAIN. BUT ANYWAY, THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
16 ORGANIZATION IS THE RICHEST ORGANIZATION IN THE WORLD, I
17 GUESS. AND THE CATHOLICS AND THE JACOBITES HAVE BEEN ON THE
18 SAME TEAM FOR A LONG TIME. BUT ANYWAY, WE SHOULD TRY TO END
19 SKID ROW, REMOVE THE FAILURES OUT OF PUBLIC SIGHT ON SKID ROW.
20 WE SHOULD HAVE BRIDGE PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITY. WE SHOULD HAVE A
21 RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT. YEAH. BUT ANYWAY, WE HAVE A FALLEN
22 SOCIETY. LEADERSHIP IN AMERICA IS AT A CRISIS. THE POLITICAL
23 SYSTEM IS BROKEN, AND WE SHOULD DEVELOP A DIFFERENT TYPE OF
24 WAY TO TRY TO TRANSACT OUR SITUATION. WE NEED AFFORDABLE
25 HOUSING. WE NEED MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ESPECIALLY FOR THE



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1 FEMALES IN CHRISTIANITY, THOUGH. BUT ANYWAY THE PEOPLE THAT
2 ACCEPTED THE MOSAIC LAW, THEY'RE FAILED IN THEIR OBLIGATION,
3 AND THE PEOPLE THAT ACCEPTED THE OBLIGATION IN CHRISTIANITY,
4 THEY FAILED IN THEIR OBLIGATION. BUT ANYWAY, EVEN DESTITUTE
5 ARE THOSE THAT NEGLECT THEIR DUTY AND GOD KNOWS THOSE THAT DO
6 WRONG. ANYWAY, THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLE MUST TURN THEIR
7 RELIGION, THEY'RE TURNING TO THE RELIGION OF ISLAM, LED BY
8 WALLACE D. MUHAMMAD IN CHICAGO AND LET THE OTHER PEOPLE STAY
9 WITH CHRISTIANITY, BECAUSE IT MEANS POLITICS, BECAUSE POLITICS
10 DO NOT REPRESENT BLACK AMERICA. THEY ONLY EXPLOIT BLACK
11 AMERICA.

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13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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15 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG AND
16 TWEETING AT @HOLLYWOOD DEMS. THIS HAS TO BE THE DULLEST
17 MEETING I HAVE EVER ATTENDED WITH SUPERVISORS. I GO BACK TO
18 KENNY HAHN'S DAYS, OKAY? EVERYBODY THAT GOT UP WAS IN LOVE
19 WITH THE SOUND OF THEIR OWN VOICE, AND THE HOT AIR YOU CAN CUT
20 WITH WITH A KNIFE HERE. WE WANT GENDER. YOU PEOPLE ARE FOR
21 GENDER-NEUTRAL BATHROOMS IN NORTH CAROLINA, BUT NOT HERE. MISS
22 KUEHL, WE DEMAND A GENDER-NEUTRAL BATHROOM, AND WHEN YOU PUT
23 IT IN, I WILL DRESS AS A WOMAN AND SET OUT AND BE THE FIRST TO
24 URINATE IN IT. CANDIDATE NIGHT, THERE'S A BIG CANDIDATE NIGHT
25 TOMORROW, AS YOU KNOW, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FIFTH DISTRICT TO



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1 REPLACE ANTONOVICH, ANYBODY BUT MITCHELL ENGLANDER. IT'S
2 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27TH. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30. YOU CAN GO TO MY
3 WEBSITE AND SEE IT. DEBATE STARTS. THERE WILL BE A RECEPTION.
4 UNITED UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, 301 NORTH ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD,
5 PASADENA. ANYBODY, ANYBODY BUT A PULSE, I WOULD SAY HE'S THE
6 NASTIEST POLITICIAN I HAVE EVER SEEN, MITCH ENGLANDER. AND
7 YOU'RE A DISTANT SECOND, MR. KNABE, DISTANT SECOND TO MITCHELL
8 ENGLANDER. AND WHAT WE WANT HERE IS GENDER-NEUTRAL BATHROOMS.
9 WHY DON'T YOU SET THEM UP LIKE NORTH CAROLINA? I DON'T KNOW
10 WHY YOU ARE GOING AFTER NORTH CAROLINA WHEN THERE ISN'T A
11 SINGLE TRANVESTITE OR TRANSSEXUAL THAT CAN DEFECATE IN THIS
12 CITY, I MEAN, IN THIS BUILDING. 100-PERCENT, CANDIDATES NIGHT
13 IS COMING UP. I'LL BE THERE AND CHANNEL 7 WILL BE RUNNING IT
14 AND YOU WILL SEE IT ON T.V. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE A SPEAKER FROM LANCASTER? JASON
17 ZINC?

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19 **JASON ZINC:** GOOD DAY, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I HAVE TWO ISSUES
20 FOR YOU. IT'S THE HIGH DESERT MEDICAL FACILITY IN LANCASTER. I
21 WANTED TO SAY AGAIN THAT THERE'S ONLY TWO PRIMARY DOCTORS TO
22 SERVE ALL OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. THE DOCTORS ARE OVERWHELMED.
23 I'VE ASKED THEM TO SEND LETTERS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
24 I'VE TOLD THEM I SPOKE AT THESE MEETINGS. I WOULD ASK THAT THE
25 COUNTY HAVE A COMMUNITY MEETING FOR THE PEOPLE OF ANTELOPE



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1 VALLEY, THE PUBLIC AND THE STAKEHOLDERS IN HEALTHCARE TO COME
2 TOGETHER AT A PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS THAT WE
3 ARE HAVING. THEY'RE SENDING PATIENTS TO HOSPITALS, MARTIN
4 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, AND THERE ISN'T EVEN TRANSPORTATION
5 THERE FOR A REFERRAL. THERE'S JUST MANY PROBLEMS. AND WITH
6 A.V. HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOM, THE TRAUMA TAX THAT COULD HELP
7 THAT, AND I ASK THAT YOU GUYS PUT TOGETHER A MEETING OF ALL
8 THE STAKEHOLDERS SO THE PUBLIC CAN SPEAK ON THE PROBLEMS TO
9 BETTER HEALTHCARE. WE'RE THE NUMBER 1 IN HEART ATTACKS,
10 STROKES, OBESITY, YOU NAME IT. WE'RE NUMBER 1 CHILD ABUSE, YOU
11 NAME IT. THE SECOND ISSUE IS THE PRIME DESERT WOODLANDS.
12 THERE'S 20 ACRES LEFT. IT'S THE LAST 20 ACRES OF THE PRIME
13 DESERT WOODLANDS THAT HAS THE PRIME JOSHUA AND JUNIPER TREES.
14 I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE AWARE OF IT, MIKE ANTONOVICH, BUT THIS
15 IS THE LAST 20 ACRES. YOU KNOW, ANTELOPE VALLEY, WE GOT THE
16 SHORT END OF THE STICK, TOO, ON THE PROP A PARK BOND MEASURE.
17 SANTA MONICA CONSERVANCY RECEIVED \$65 MILLION FROM THE PARK
18 BOND MEASURE. WE IN ANTELOPE VALLEY RECEIVED VERY LITTLE. I'M
19 ASKING IF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND MIKE
20 ANTONOVICH, IF YOU WILL MAKE THIS, WORK WITH THE CITY OF
21 LANCASTER IN AN AGREEMENT ACQUIRING THE LAST 20 ACRES. RIGHT
22 NOW THEY WANT TO PUT 66 HOMES ON THIS LAST 20 ACRES, AND I
23 WOULD LIKE YOU TO CALL UP LANCASTER AND STOP IT AND WORK WITH
24 LANCASTER IN ACQUIRING THIS LAST 20 ACRES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
25 TIME.



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2 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THE L.A. CARE WILL BE HOLDING A
3 PUBLIC HEARING IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN THE COMING MONTH OR
4 TWO.

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6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S GREAT. THANK YOU.

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8 **JASON ZINC:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, NOW WE'RE GOING TO ASK
11 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM, WHO EARLIER THIS
12 MORNING WE MENTIONED THEY WERE OUT HERE ACTUALLY CELEBRATING
13 YOUTHBUILD WEEK AND WANTED TO COME FORWARD. WE HAVE FOUR
14 INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING OVER 24 OR MORE STUDENTS FROM THE
15 YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM. WE HAVE ROSSI JOHNSON, ANEX MORENO, MARCO
16 VIVAR, TILAN ADAMS.

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18 **TILAN ADAMS:** TILAN ADAMS.

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20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TILAN. OKAY, LET'S HEAR FROM ROSIE.

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22 **ROSSI JOHNSON:** ROSSI JOHNSON.

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24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY.

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1 **ROSSI JOHNSON:** YOU KNOW, MIKE, CAN OUR STUDENTS GO FIRST?

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3 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SURE. HOWEVER YOU'D LIKE. GO AHEAD.

4 INTRODUCE YOURSELF.

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6 **TILAN ADAMS:** MY NAME IS TILAN ADAMS. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
7 BOARD FOR THIS INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY. TODAY IS NATIONAL
8 YOUTHBUILD DAY, AND TO CELEBRATE, OVER 400 OF MY PEERS MARCHED
9 THROUGH THE POVERTY-STRICKEN AREA KNOWN AS SKID ROW. THE
10 SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS MAY BE -- MIGHT AS WELL BE INSIGNIFICANT
11 TO SOME OF YOU. HOWEVER TO US IT REPRESENTED THE PRESENCE OF
12 SECOND CHANCES. AS WE WALKED ALONGSIDE THE HOMELESS, IT WAS A
13 LOOK AT WHERE MANY OF MY CLOSE PEERS AND ASSOCIATES COULD HAVE
14 BEEN, AS MANY OF THEM WERE HOMELESS AT A CERTAIN POINT IN
15 TIME. YOUTHBUILD IS A HOME OF REDEMPTION. EVERY STUDENT HERE
16 HAS MADE THEIR MISTAKES AND GONE THROUGH THEIR TRIALS AND
17 TRIBULATIONS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE ALL FOUND A HOME HERE. NOT ONLY
18 -- OH, EXCUSE ME. LIKE, WE'RE ALL HERE TO MAKE A CHANGE, NOT
19 ONLY IN OURSELVES BUT ALSO IN OUR COMMUNITIES. IN A TIME WHERE
20 MILLIONS ONLY CARE HOW MANY FOLLOWERS WE HAVE, YOUTHBUILD IS
21 CREATING LEADERS. I ASK THAT YOU PERMIT US THIS GRANT TO
22 CONTINUE OUR MISSION OF CHANGING THE LIVES FOR THE BETTERMENT
23 OF CALIFORNIA.

24

25 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD. NEXT SPEAKER?



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2 **ANEX MORENO:** HI, MY NAME IS ANEX. I'M A GRADUATE FROM COMPTON

3 YOUTHBUILD, CLASS OF TO 2015. I'M JUST HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT

4 YOUTHBUILD. YOUTHBUILD IS A LEADERSHIP-DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR

5 AGES 16-TO-24-YEARS OLD. THEY'RE FOCUSED ON ECONOMICALLY

6 DISTRESSED NEIGHBORHOODS, AND WE TEND TO CREATE LEADERS IN OUR

7 COMMUNITY. SO, IN YOUTH BUILD, WE GET TO GET OUR HIGH SCHOOL

8 DIPLOMA, BUT WE ALSO GET TO WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY AND HAVE A

9 SENSE OF WHAT IT IS TO BE IN THE COMMUNITY AND CREATE LIKE

10 MORE SPACE, MORE SAFE SPACE IN OUR COMMUNITY. I'M HERE TO TALK

11 ABOUT THAT, THE ISSUE THAT WE DON'T HAVE A YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

12 DEPARTMENT IN L.A. COUNTY. SO I THINK THAT PART OF YOUTHBUILD

13 IS LIKE IT'S A GREAT HELP FOR THE YOUTH AND WE CAN ALSO HELP

14 LIKE WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND STUFF LIKE THAT.

15 LIKE IN COMPTON YOUTHBUILD SPECIFICALLY, WE HAVE LIKE A SECOND

16 CHANCE SO WE HAVE THIS REALLY GOOD CONNECTION WITH PROBATION

17 OFFICERS AND THE YOUTH CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. SO THEIR

18 SECOND CHANCE IS COMPTON YOUTHBUILD AND A LOT OF OUR YOUNG

19 PEOPLE HAVE COME STRAIGHT OUT OF JAIL AND STUFF LIKE THAT AND

20 THEY ACTUALLY DO GET TO CHANGE AND THEY SEE THE OPPORTUNITY

21 THAT THEY HAVE HERE SO WE GO OUT IN THE COMMUNITY AND CIVIC

22 ENGAGEMENT AND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND STUFF LIKE THAT.

23 TODAY IS NATIONAL YOUTHBUILD DAY, AND WE WANTED TO JUST

24 REPRESENT THE 430 YOUTHBUILD STUDENTS THAT REGISTERED TODAY.

25 AND WE WALKED DOWN LIKE ALL OF L.A. JUST FOR THEM TO SEE WHAT



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1 IT IS, LIKE THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE A VOICE AND I WANT THEM TO
2 LIKE SEE THAT WE'RE HERE FOR THEM, THAT WE REPRESENT
3 YOUTHBUILD.

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5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. GREAT, NEXT SPEAKER.

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7 **MARCO VIVAR:** HELLO. I JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR GIVING
8 US THE TIME TO SPEAK IN FRONT OF YOU. MY NAME IS MARCO ANTONIO
9 VIVAR. I'M CURRENTLY A GRADUATE FROM VENICE YOUTHBUILD GOING
10 TO SANTA MONICA COLLEGE, AND I'M CURRENTLY SERVING AS THE
11 STUDENT ALUMNI COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA. JUST A LITTLE BIT OF ME.
12 WHEN I WITHENT INTO YOUTHBUILD, I WAS OUT OF WORK. I HAD NO
13 HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA, AND I HAD JUST COME OUT OF THE JAIL
14 SYSTEM. I REALLY DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS A PLACE FOR ME. I
15 THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO END UP JUST GOING IN A MINIMUM WAGE JOB
16 TO MINIMUM WAGE JOB TO A POINT WHERE THERE WAS NO FUTURE FOR
17 ME AND I WAS GOING TO END UP EITHER DEAD OR IN JAIL. THROUGH
18 THE HELP THAT I GOT IN THE YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM, WHICH OFFERED
19 ME CAREER TRAINING, WHICH NOW I HAVE A JOB, OFFERED ME
20 TRAINING ON HOW TO STUDY, GO TO SCHOOL, HOW TO PRIORITIZE MY
21 PRIORITIES, WHICH NOW I'M DOING VERY EXCELLENT IN. IT ALSO
22 TAUGHT ME HOW TO TAKE CARE OF MY COMMUNITY, AND NOT ONLY JUST
23 DO WHAT I FEEL IS RIGHT BUT WHAT I FEEL IS RIGHT FOR
24 EVERYBODY. SO NOW THAT I'M SERVING IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE
25 ALUMNI COUNCIL, I'M PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OTHER YOUTH



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1 JUST LIKE MYSELF SO THAT THEY CAN BE SUCCESSFUL, GIVING THEM
2 THE TOOLS FROM MONEY MANAGEMENT, ASSET MAPPING, AND THE
3 ABILITY TO JUST VOICE THEIR CONCERNS FOR THEMSELVES. THERE'S A
4 LOT I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU GUYS, BUT I ONLY HAVE 30 SECONDS
5 LEFT. BUT HONESTLY, I WOULDN'T BE HERE IN FRONT OF YOU GUYS
6 SPEAKING WITHOUT YOUTHBUILD. I WOULD HAVE EITHER BEEN IN A
7 JAIL CELL OR I WOULD HAVE BEEN IN A CASKET. BUT I AM HERE AS A
8 GRADUATE, ABOUT TO GRADUATE WITH MY BACHELORS IN COMPUTER
9 SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING AND A MINOR IN PHOTOGRAPHY, AND I'M
10 LEADING THE MOVEMENT OF YOUTHBUILD SO WE CAN PROVIDE MORE
11 JOBS, MORE OPPORTUNITIES, AND MORE EDUCATION SO I COULD HELP
12 OUT THE WHOLE UNITED STATES. AND THANKS SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THEN YOU'RE GOING RUN FOR OFFICE,
15 RIGHT?

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17 **MARCO VIVAR:** HOPEFULLY.

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19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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21 **ROSSI JOHNSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ROSSY JOHNSON. I AM THE CHAIR
22 OF THE LOS ANGELES YOUTHBUILD COLLABORATIVE. WE HAVE 21
23 YOUTHBUILD PROGRAMS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF L.A. WE ARE FAR
24 REACHING FROM LONG BEACH TO PALMDALE, FROM CANOGA PARK ALL THE
25 WAY TO PASADENA. WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK IF YOU ALL SUPPORT



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1 YOUTHBUILD INDIVIDUALLY IN YOUR DISTRICT, BUT COLLECTIVELY WE
2 ASK YOU TO PLEASE PROVIDE US FUNDING OF \$15 MILLION TO BEGIN
3 TO FUND YOUTHBUILD PROGRAMS. I KNOW THAT'S A BIG ASK, BUT IF
4 YOU DON'T ASK, YOU NEVER GET ANYTHING. AND SO, IT TAKES
5 \$18,000 TOO FOR EVERY STUDENT TO GO THROUGH A YOUTHBUILD
6 PROGRAM. THAT'S VERY, VERY MINUSCULE COMPARED TO INCARCERATION
7 OR COMPARED TO THEM BEING DISPLACED FROM OUR COMMUNITIES. IT'S
8 A WIN/WIN FOR THE COUNTY, BECAUSE YOUTHBUILD NOT ONLY CREATES
9 YOUNG LEADERS, THEY GET DIPLOMAS, BUT WE ALSO WORK ON
10 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE CAN NOT ONLY REHAB AND
11 BEAUTIFY OUR OWN COMMUNITY THROUGH AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BUT
12 YOUNG FOLK ARE INVESTING IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY MAKING THAT
13 HAPPEN. AND SO WE ASK THAT YOU -- WE VERY HUMBLY ASK AND
14 REQUEST OF YOU TO PLEASE MEET WITH US IN ORDER TO BEGIN TO
15 DISCUSS HOW WE CAN MOVE FORWARD AND SUPPORT OUR YOUNG FOLKS
16 THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTY. WE SERVE OVER 2,000 YOUNG PEOPLE A
17 YEAR IN YOUTHBUILD PROGRAMS. BUT WE HAVE NO COUNTY OR NO STATE
18 FUNDING TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. WE RELY UPON NONPROFITS TO RAISE
19 THE MONEY THEMSELVES IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO SUSTAIN THEIR
20 PROGRAMS AND SERVE YOUNG PEOPLE. ANOTHER THING WE ASK, AND
21 LIKE YOU SAID BEFORE, IS TO CREATE A YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
22 DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE COUNTY SO THAT WE CAN HELP SERVE YOUNG
23 PEOPLE AND SUPPORT THEM THROUGH COLLEGE, SUPPORT THEM THROUGH
24 THEIR STRUGGLES AND THROUGH THEIR ASPIRATIONS. AND SO, LIKE I
25 SAID BEFORE, WE HUMBLY ASK THAT YOU MEET WITH US TO DISCUSS



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1 HOW WE CAN FUND PROGRAMS. WE KNOW -- I HEARD EARLIER THAT
2 SUPERVISOR KNABE MENTIONED ABOUT HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES AND
3 THEY'RE BEEING FUNDED. JUST THINK OF 21 PROGRAMS DOING WHAT
4 THEY DO BUT FOR 18-TO-24-YEAR-OLDS, 16-TO-24-YEAR-OLDS, DOING
5 THE SAME THING, EVIDENCE-BASED, BEST PRACTICE THROUGHOUT THE
6 COUNTRY AS WELL AS IN THE STATE AND THE REGION OF THIS COUNTY.
7 SO PLEASE SUPPORT US AND MEET WITH US AND LET'S MOVE FORWARD
8 AND SUPPORT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

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10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. JOHNSON, JUST TO LET YOU
11 KNOW, I KNOW A GOOD PORTION OF YOUR FUNDING COMES FROM THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, SO WE'RE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THAT ASPECT.
13 AND I KNOW THAT SOME OF US ARE UTILIZING IN OUR DISTRICTS YOUR
14 SERVICES. I KNOW THAT EAST L.A. YOUTHBUILD, THEY'VE BEEN
15 INVOLVED IN A WHOLE LOT OF ENVIRONMENTAL LANDSCAPING, EVEN
16 SOLAR PANEL, AND IT'S GREAT. IT'S A GOOD PROGRAM. I THINK
17 MOVING FORWARD IT WOULD BE GREAT FOR YOU TO MEET WITH OUR
18 STAFFS, WITH OUR DEPUTIES, BECAUSE WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK.
19 YOU HEARD A LITTLE BIT OF A DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW WE'RE TRYING
20 TO MOVE PROBATION AND REALLY GET MORE SERVICES OUT WITH
21 INTEGRATED IN THE COMMUNITY. YOU GUYS WOULD BE GREAT. BUT WE
22 HAVE TO HAVE THAT -- WE'LL HAVE THAT CONVERSATION WITH OUR
23 OFFICES AND HOPEFULLY BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN SOME WAY. I CAN'T
24 PROMISE YOU 15 MILLION, THOUGH. THAT'S A BIG CHUNK. BUT WE GOT
25 TO START SOMEWHERE, RIGHT?



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2 **ROSSI JOHNSON:** YES, MA'AM.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO, I THANK ALL THE STUDENTS. THERE WERE
5 HOW MANY? 400 STUDENTS? 430 THAT CAME OUT. THEY WERE IN FRONT
6 OF OUR OFFICES HERE. AND IT'S COMMENDABLE THAT YOU WENT OUT TO
7 SKID ROW. I WISH WE COULD HAVE YOU COME OUT TO OTHER PARTS OF
8 OUR DISTRICT, TOO, BECAUSE YOU WOULD BE WELCOMED. SO THANK YOU
9 FOR YOUR DAY-TO-DAY BEING OUT THERE, YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR
10 HOPE AND INSPIRATION THAT YOU GIVE US, TOO. THANK YOU.

11 [APPLAUSE.] MEMBERS, NOW WE ARE GOING TO BE CALLED INTO CLOSED
12 SESSION.

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14 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
15 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
17 C.S.-1, C.S.-2 AND C.S.-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
18 REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION; ITEM C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH
19 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION;
20 AND C.S.-5, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS.

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REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION APRIL 26, 2016

No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-2, CS-5 or CS-6.

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Joel Griffith et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 507 013

Action related to the Whittier Narrows Equestrian Center (16-2087) The Board authorized settlement on the matter entitled Joel Griffith, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al. The details of the settlement will be made available once finalized by all parties.

The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being present.

In open session item CS-4 was continued one week to May 3, 2016.



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